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ANGLO-RUSSIAN PEACE PLAN

LITVINOFF WARNS OF WAR THREAT

KING GEORGE TOASTED BY SOVIET LEADER

Moscow, March 28.

A toast to His Majesty King George was proposed by M. Maxim Litvinoff, the Russian Commissar for Foreign Affairs, at the end of an important speech on Soviet foreign policy at a reception given for the British Lord Privy Seal, Mr. Anthony Eden, to-night.

This was the first occasion on which a royal toast has been proposed by a Soviet Minister in Russia.

M. Litvinoff declared that the friendliest Anglo-Russian relations were essential for the preservation of peace.

Referring to the arising of "the serious and alarming impediments to the preservation of normal and peaceful international order," he said the consoling feature of the situation was the overwhelming majority of States which at present were profoundly anxious for the preservation of peace.

There might be a few exceptions, M. Litvinoff admitted, but the danger was at least limited and clearly defined. This, however, did not imply that the danger was localised. Nobody could foretell, he said, which State would be the first or the most greatly affected by this danger.

RESPONSIBILITY OF ALL

If one State was threatened, M. Litvinoff argued, and there was real danger of war, all other States ought to consider themselves threatened. For it was now universally realised that the danger of war hung over Europe. It could only be averted, he declared, or its risk reduced to the utmost extent possible, by the collective efforts of all the States, and especially the great Powers.

M. Litvinoff believed, he said, that Anglo-Russian co-operation was decisively important in the cause of peace, and Mr. Eden's visit was not merely the beginning of such co-operation, but a pledge of its continuance.

TREMENDOUS TEST

The coming months, and perhaps the next few weeks, would show whether the statesmen of Europe were capable of organising for peace, and whether the plans for the collective work outlined at the London conversations on February 3 would be carried to their wise and logical conclusion.

In any event, M. Litvinoff asserted, he was convinced that the frank interchange of opinion between Mr. Eden and M. Litvinoff's colleagues would be a fruitful contribution to this work.

PURELY EXPLORATORY

Replying, Mr. Eden emphasised that his visit was purely exploratory. But it marked a notable, and, he hoped, a hopeful landmark in Anglo-Russian relations.

The British Government's foreign policy, said Mr. Eden, was based upon the League of Nations, and Britain recognised that it was a great gain when Russia took her place at Geneva's council table.

Peace was also a prime object of the United Kingdom and he was confident it must also be the foreign policy of the Soviet and all other great nations, as long as their main purpose was the advancing the prosperity of their people.

Referring to the coming meeting of the representatives of the nations at Stresa, Italy, Mr. Eden said it would be their task on that occasion, as it was his and M. Litvinoff's today, to seek to find a way out of the difficulties which beset Europe: a way which would be just and honourable to all nations and yet consistent with those principles of collective security in which they all believed.—*Reuter*.

TO MEET M. STALIN

London, Mar. 28.
The Lord Privy Seal, Mr. Anthony Eden, who reached Moscow this afternoon, had a conversation lasting over two hours with Monsieur Litvinoff. The matters

LITHUANIA ANSWERS GERMANY

FIERCELY RESENTS CRITICISM

TUMULTUOUS STUDENTS

(Special to "Telegraph")

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Kovno, March 28.

Lithuanians to-day are angered by Germany's criticism of the action of a Lithuanian court in sentencing to death the leaders of the pro-German conspirators here, who murdered one of the men who exposed their plot to seize Memel in the name of the Fatherland.

There were tumultuous scenes in the streets, crowds shouting defiance to the German nation, just as Germans in all parts of their country cried for vengeance against Lithuania yesterday.

Professor Vladimir Stankevichius, chief defence counsel for the German conspirators, was prevented from holding his regular lecture at the University here owing to the tumultuous demonstrations of Nationalist students.—*United Press*.

GERMANY TO ACT

Berlin, March 28.

In response to the nation's anger at the Kovno sentences against the Nazi plotters, it is learned that the Government is planning early action in an attempt to halt the executions of the four condemned.

The German Government will also demand a "new deal" for the German population of Memel, it is believed.—*United Press*.

"RAPHAEL" TALK

DANTE ALIGHIERI ASSOCIATION

An interesting lecture on "Raphael" the famous Italian painter and sculptor was given yesterday by Rev. Fr. T. F. Ryan, S.J., Editor of the *Rock*, under the auspices of the Dante Alighieri Association, Hongkong, before a large gathering at the Jacobean Room of the Hongkong Hotel.

Among those present were:—Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Lo, Sir William and Lady Shenton, Mrs. De Precourt, Mr. Wei Tat, Dr. and Mrs. Sommers, Mr. Y. P. Law, Mr. and Mrs. G. P. de Martin, Dr. and Mrs. Y. S. Wan, Dr. Arthur Woo, Mr. H. Macnamara, Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Rivera Iglesias, Mrs. E. M. Raymond, Dr. and Mrs. Paster, Mrs. W. I. Gorman, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Macdonald, Mr. D. W. T. Tamm, Miss Julia Lam, Mr. and Mrs. P. Jacks, Mr. and Mrs. Wong Kwong-tin, Mr. H. S. Mok, Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Birch, Dr. and Mrs. Moore, Mr. M. J. Breen, Mr. U. Conelli, Mr. M. Cunietti, Mr. A. Piovaneli, Mr. R. Poinot, Mr. J. S. H. Wann, Mr. E. Soprani and many others.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Rev. Father Ryan on the motion of the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga.

CHINESE EGGS IN AMERICA

EXPORT RESTRICTION PROTESTED

Nanking, March 28.

It is learned in local official circles that the Nanking Foreign Office has instructed Dr. Alfred Sze, Chinese Minister at Washington, to lodge a protest with the American Government against the restrictions imposed on the importation of Chinese eggs.

According to a message from the Chinese Legation at Washington, the matter is being taken up with the State Department and a satisfactory settlement of the case is expected shortly.—*Central News*.



Mr. Anthony Eden, Lord Privy Seal, who has engaged in cordial conversations in Moscow with M. Litvinoff, the Soviet Foreign Commissar.

Fast Track For Grand National

GOLDEN MILLER WANTS RAIN

PLENTY OF OPPOSITION

Aintree, March 28.

Golden Miller's jockey wants plenty of overnight rain before the Grand National, which is to be run to-morrow. Golden Miller is favourite, but he carries over twenty pounds in handicap weight.

The present fast course might enable some of the others to stay better than they would under severe conditions, Golden Miller's rider says.

Trainer Anthony is not without hopes, having Thomond, the American entry, and Royal Ransom in the race. Thomond is second favourite.

All others will welcome a fast course and say their horses are good jumpers and stayers.—*Reuter*.

NULLAH MURDER EXECUTION

CHINESE PAYS FULL PENALTY

Ng Loi-yuen, aged 38, found guilty of murdering Michael Pine, a British lad, by throwing him into the nullah near the lower Peak Tram station in June last, paid the full penalty for his crime, when he was executed at Victoria Gaol early this morning.

The delay in carrying out the death sentence was caused by an appeal having been made to the Privy Council, which body, however, declined to interfere with the verdict.

LOCAL DOLLAR DECLINES

NOW BELOW TWO SHILLINGS

The Hongkong dollar declined 1/8th on opening this morning, the official rate being two shillings. Later in the morning, the rate was changed to 1s. 11 1/2d., the market being weak.

Shanghai opened at 1s. 6 3/4d., but later rose to 1s. 6 1/2d. Silver prices in London declined 1/16th spot and 1/8th forward. China gold, while speculators bought, the market closing quietly steady.

OXFORD ROWING STRONGLY

BETTER TIME THAN CAMBRIDGE

PACED OVER COURSE

(Special to "Telegraph")

London, March 28.

Oxford's crack eight-oar crew swept up the full course on a trial in the reverse direction of the Mortlake-Putney run to-day and in better time than that required by Cambridge a few days ago.

Oxford's time was 19 minutes 31 seconds and is rated a smart performance.

Cambridge had done the same stretch in 19 minutes 51 seconds, but unpaced, whereas Oxford was assisted by four crews, travelling in relays.

Conditions for the trial were almost ideal.

A feature of to-day's pull was the high rate of stroking, beginning at thirty-five to the minute and finishing at thirty-six. The stroke never dropped below thirty-two.—*Reuter Special*.

Rabies Found In Mule

NO GRAZING IN KOWLOON

A case of rabies in a mule having occurred in the Colony, and the Governor-in-Council considering that an occasion of public danger exists, the following regulations have been made:

1. Except with the written permission of the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon all movement of equines from the New Territories to any other part of the Colony is prohibited.
2. No equine in Kowloon or the New Territories (including New Kowloon) shall be turned out to graze.
3. Any equine in Kowloon or the New Territories (including New Kowloon) now turned out to graze shall be brought into stables there forthwith.

THREE PROVINCES FIGHT FLOOD

LARGE SUM TO PUT DYKES IN ORDER

Kaifong, Mar. 28.

In dealing with the emergency flood situation on the Yellow River, affecting three provinces, Hopei, Honan and Shantung, the Three Provinces Flood Prevention Committee held a meeting here to-day approving the appropriation of \$1,080,000 for the strengthening and repairing of the endangered dykes along the river.

The Committee also recommended that \$540,000 of the sum be granted by the Central Government, while the remainder be raised by the three provinces concerned.—*Central News*.

JAPANESE TROOPS INSIDE WALL

BRUSH WITH CHINA MILITIA UNITS

Peiping, March 28.
The local militia units in Huailu District, within the Great Wall, clashed with a body of Japanese troops yesterday.

The Japanese allegedly passed the Great Wall for the purpose of chasing some bandits. Subsequently, it transpired that the conflict was entirely due to misunderstanding. The Japanese troops have refused to evacuate the area though it is under Chinese control, until to-morrow.—*Central News*.

GOLD FLOWS TO AMERICA

CONTINENT FEARS FINANCE CRISIS

BELGIUM MAY LINK UP WITH STERLING

Paris, March 28.

Eighteen million pounds sterling in gold has been shipped from London to Paris by the British Control Fund in order to cover forward purchases of sterling made when the pound was at 71. The British authorities at that time did not have sufficient francs available.

It is stressed that these shipments are independent of all other gold movements.

Paris, however, is losing gold to New York, as commercial purchases of dollars are increasing with the Gold Bloc crisis.

REDUCING HIGHWAY DEATHS

SPEED LIMIT A FACTOR

FEWER HURT IN BRITAIN

(Special to "Telegraph")

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London, March 28.

The first week of the thirty-mile an hour speed limit in London's built up areas has resulted in a decrease in casualties.

The difference is not very great, but it is definitely there.

In this first week 100 persons were killed in highway accidents and 2,851 were injured. This latter figure is one of the lowest ever recorded since the days of fast motor travel commenced.

The week previous, before the speed limit came into force, 106 persons were killed and 2,870 were injured.

These figures were issued by the Ministry of Transport to-day, and at the same time it was recalled that for the corresponding period of 1934 the road toll was much higher, being 128 killed and 3,346 injured.

It was a matter for comment, too, the Ministry stated, that there were 12 per cent. more vehicles on the roads this year compared with last.—*Reuter Special*.

SECOND CHILD IN SIX-MONTH

STRANGE CASE OF SHANGHAI MOTHER

(Special to "Telegraph")

Shanghai, March 28.

Mrs. Ku Teh-tou, the wife of a poultry keeper at the old North Gate, yesterday gave birth to a son—her second child within six months.

Mr. and Mrs. Hu announced the birth of a daughter in October, and they have won local fame through this "phenomenon."—*United Press*.

C.E.R. TRANSFER PROCEEDING

JAPANESE GRADUALLY TAKE OVER

Harbin, Mar. 28.

The transfer of control of the Chinese Eastern Railway to the hands of the Manchukuo-Japanese authorities has been carried out

The situation is believed to hinge upon the ability of Holland and Switzerland to continue shipping gold to meet the withdrawals of foreign funds. Curtailment or suspension of shipments by Holland or Switzerland may compel the French authorities to take measures to stem the outflow of gold from France.

It is believed that recent political developments on the Continent may have lessened the willingness of the French authorities to lose larger quantities of gold.

It is rumoured that M. Van Zeeland, Belgium's Prime Minister, may propose devaluation of the Belgian franc to one one-hundred-and-thirtieth part of a pound sterling, establishing a fixed relationship of 25 Belgas to the pound, thus implying a 28 per cent. depreciation. Thereafter, it is thought that a four per cent. Belgian loan may be floated in London for conversions of Belgium's internal public debt.

France, it will be recalled, recently promised to endeavour to assist Belgium with a big loan, but found it impossible so to do. It is believed in some quarters that Belgium has thus been literally driven into a union with the pound.—*Reuter*.

EXCHANGES CLOSED

Brussels, March 28.
All Belgian Stock Exchanges are to be closed until Monday, April 1, apparently in connection with the forthcoming Ministerial declaration or other possible developments regarding the status of the Belgas.

It is understood that the bourses are to be closed in order to prevent speculation and to allow the Government time to take whatever financial measures it considers necessary to cope with the Belgas situation.

It is generally expected that some form of official declaration will be made to-morrow for the devaluation of the Belgas.

There was considerable excitement here to-day when at 10.15 a.m. the order was given for closing the bourses. Official circles, however, emphasise that this procedure was adopted simply to prevent speculation and not due to any fears of panic.

At present there are no signs of panic in any part of the country.—*United Press*.

REACTION IN LONDON

London, March 28.
On the various exchanges here to-day Belgian prices were displaying a marked upward tendency. Considerable withdrawals of Belgian accounts have been noted from the most popular banks and savings banks.—*United Press*.

smoothly and without any incident since the formal announcement of the transfer, except that the progress of the transfer on the western section is somewhat hindered by the sudden death of a Japanese engineer in charge.

All locomotives on the Railway have been manned by Japanese drivers while the majority of the posts of minor railway employees are given to Manchukuo natives.—*Central News*.

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FURTHER PLANS FOR JUBILEE

LONDON A CITY OF FLOWERS

London. The Royal Stand at Ascot is being transformed. It will be a fitting mark by Royal Ascot of the Royal Jubilee. The portion of the stand which faces the course, a familiar object to racegoers, is being left practically unaltered. Almost the whole of the rest of the stand, with the Royal luncheon room and the King's and Queen's retiring rooms, has been pulled down. It is being rebuilt with massive iron girders filled in with red brickwork. The main entrance, on the south side, where the coaches used in the Royal procession pull up, is being reconstructed. In place of the hitherto somewhat unpicturesque elevation there is being built a striking facade, with great blocks of Portland stone.

Another Ascot development this year will be the bringing into use of the new car park. The Ascot authorities have purchased the estate in the High-street known as the Grange, which Lord Londale used to take for race week. The mansion has been pulled down and progress made with the conversion of the site into a car park to accommodate 500 or 600 charabancs in addition to hundreds of cars. It will be available in June. Another undertaking which the authorities now have in hand is the provision of a great reservoir, partly underground, which will hold 5,000,000 gallons. It will be filled as far as possible by natural drainage from Ascot Heath, the deficit being made up from company's water. This will be provided a "stand-by" supply for watering the course should there be a repetition of last year's drought with its restrictions.

THE JUBILEE

From £3 to £50 is being paid for seats on the route of the King and Queen's drive from Buckingham Palace to St. Paul's Cathedral for the Silver Jubilee thanksgiving service on May 6. Although it is over 10 weeks before the drive will take place, applications for seats are already being made in large numbers. The ticket agencies are negotiating almost daily with owners of buildings on the route to secure additional space. The higher priced seats are in St. Paul's Churchyard, where spectators will see the procession arrive and leave.

The Board of Education has announced that the King has expressed a desire that all schools should share in the Jubilee celebrations. The King wishes the particular form in which this should be done to be left to the discretion of the responsible school authorities.

CITY OF FLOWERS

A campaign to make London a city of flowers grown and tended by her citizens has been promoted by the London Gardens Society. The Society has enlisted the help of tens of thousands of school children. The Society carries on its work largely in areas associated with docks, wharves, warehouses and factories. "Gardens" there are window boxes or a few plant pots. Missionaries are now going forth giving advice and hints to dwellers in crowded areas on growing simple flowers to add a note of colour to the pageantry of the King's Jubilee, and to make happier those who "pass by your window."

In South London 30,000 school children are growing bulbs for exhibition in March. There is to be a special display at the Royal Horticultural Hall of flowers grown by children. One day in June trains carrying workers to the City will be a "sight". Every amateur gardener in London is expected to wear a buttonhole of home grown flowers.

Twelve episodes are being rehearsed for the Jubilee Pageant and Tattoo in the month of the

NAVY DRESS

Trimmed With Organdie

Cuffs and Panels

BLUE AND WHITE



Here is one of the new navy dresses with vest, jabot, and cuffs of off-white organdie. The skirt is cut with a V from which runs a centre seam opening from the knee to show an organdie panel.

CORNISH ROLY-POLY

AN oven recipe this time. Chop about 1/2 lb. beef with two sliced potatoes, chopped, a small cooked onion, also chopped a salt-ponful allspice, a teaspoonful pepper, and 1/2 teaspoonful salt. Moisten with two tablespoonfuls gravy or stock. Make a paste with 6 oz. flour, 3 ozs. butter or margarine, 1/2 teaspoonful baking powder, and a little water. Roll out to about 1/2 inch thickness, arrange the meat mixture on it, roll up, wetting the edges to make them stick together, and bake in a good oven from 30-40 minutes.

Serve with a little good gravy, handed separately. If preferred, this dish may be eaten cold, in which case it should be cut in neat slices and garnished with salad.

Tower in London. They include all the ingredients of a first class banquet—spectacle, thrills, music, laughter, and a few tears. One of the most colourful scenes will be the return of Henry V. from Agincourt. Music and dancing find a place in May Day revels of the time of Elizabeth and there is good fun in the cricket match of 1739.

The King held a Council at Buckingham Palace recently at which he formally approved the Proclamation appointing May 6, the anniversary of his accession, as a Bank Holiday. His Majesty also picked the list of new County Sheriffs for 1935.

The railways of Britain are being mobilised to their fullest capacity to give special travel facilities during the King's Jubilee celebrations. An official of the Railway Companies' Association told the Evening Standard, "We are preparing to co-operate with nearly all the events which are being planned. In this country the cheap fare programmes which were introduced in January are to be supplemented by liberal programmes of special trains at excursion fares."

Through our overseas offices in Paris, Rome, New York and elsewhere, our agencies are linking up with the foreign railways, especially in France and America. A great many bookings have already been made. "The Aldershot Tattoo, Navy Week at Chatham, Portsmouth and Plymouth, and also the Royal Air Force demonstration at Hendon will all have a special bearing upon the Jubilee celebrations. "The Aldershot Tattoo, for example, is to be particularly a 'Jubilee number'. Instead of the customary 6

INDUSTRIAL PLANNING

N.R.A. PLANS NEW PROGRAMME

AWAITS WORD OF CONGRESS

Washington, Mar. 19. The United States faces an era of national industrial "planning" when the National Industrial Recovery Act is extended by Congress.

The original two-year period of the law expires June 15, prior to which time Congress must decide whether to foster a gradual reversion to the pre-depression business system of the country or further to extend the politico-economic regime developed under the NRA and its sister organisation, the Agricultural Adjustment Administration.

The fundamental objective of the NRA, as announced by President Roosevelt upon its signature, "was to put people back to work. By the most generous estimate, and disregarding other federal enterprises which have contributed to recovery, the NRA can claim credit for the re-employment of about 4,000,000 workers."

The National Recovery Administration as an emergency recovery organisation has gradually evolved into a vast organism for the more-or-less voluntary regulation of the nation's industry, and every present circumstance indicates that "reform" and not "recovery" will be the dominant idea if Congress grants a new lease on life.

HOPE IN EAGLE

This means, in effect, that an agency of the Federal Government which has extended its coercive or advisory power into 2,500,000 separate business establishments engaging over 90 per cent. of the nation's industrial employees will assume a larger role in "planning" for the industrial world. The NRA will become a more generally recognised and accepted arbiter between the interests of capital and labour, producer and consumer, foreign trader and domestic trader, raw material man or processor.

Never has the world witnessed the growth of a governmental economic agency greater than that of the NRA. Whether the "blue eagle"—symbol of NRA—flies high or flies low, indisputable statistics confirm the wide range of its sweep. Thousands of industrialists breathe easier under the relaxation of the anti-trust laws, and millions of workers still hope, although less confidently than a year ago, that the "eagle" is in fact an omen of a "New Deal."

The latest official tabulation showed 548 codes in effect, affecting approximately 22,000,000 workers, of whom 18,000,000 were directly affected by hours and wages provisions. Two and one-half million establishments were under codes.

MUST GO ON

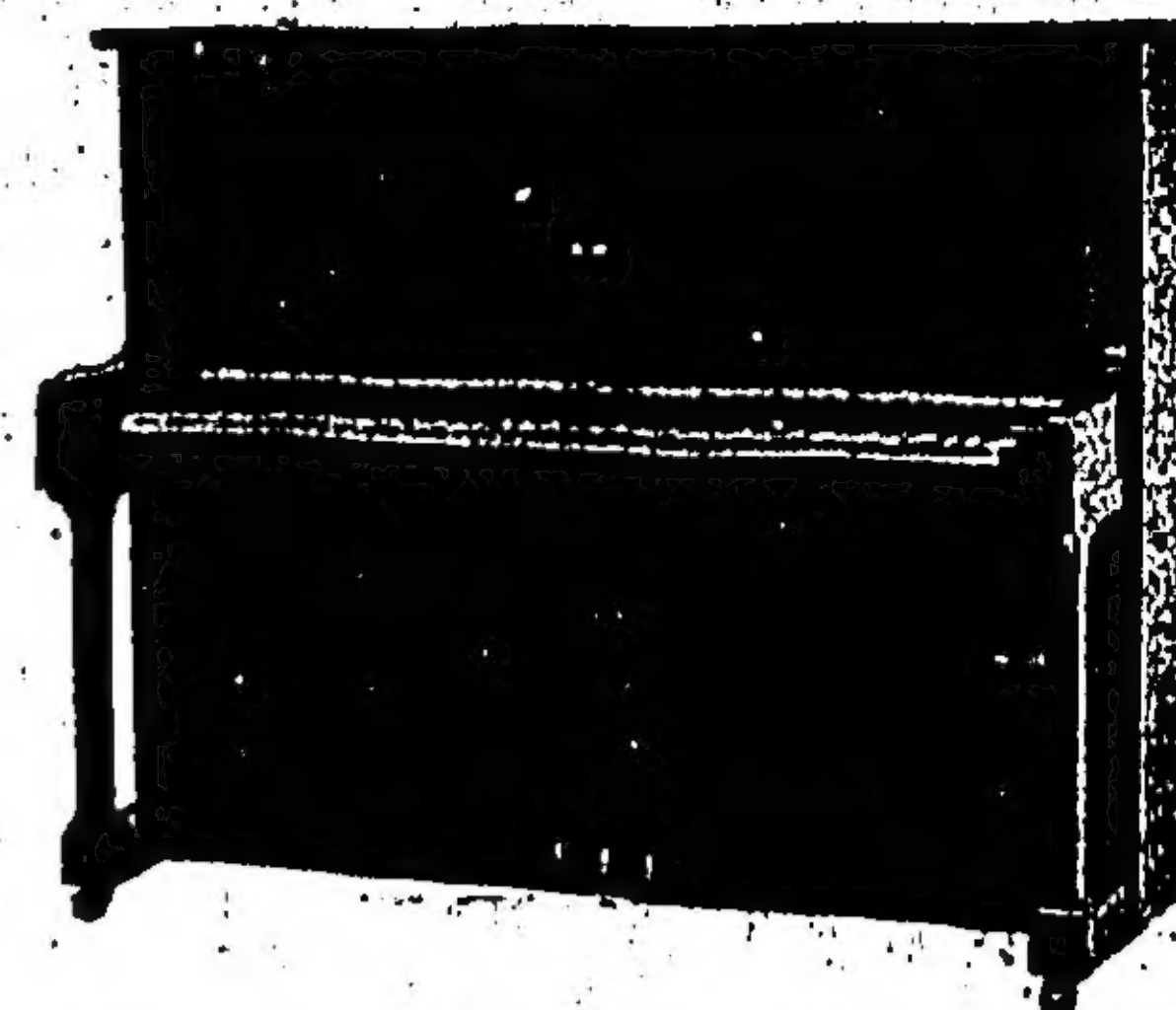
Dissolution of this vast organism by Congress is practically inconceivable because the industrialists would not want re-exposure to the strict application of anti-monopoly laws, and "organized labour", although resentful over application of some provisions of the NRA would be reluctant to relinquish the hard-gained legal status gained in Section 7-A.

The problem for Congress therefore becomes one of assuring that future evolution of the NRA should safeguard the interest of the nation in its entirety. This can only be accomplished, experts believe, with uniform justice through widening the "planning" activities of the central organization. This implies the gradual further curtailment of free competition, the earlier-guiding principle of national economic policy.

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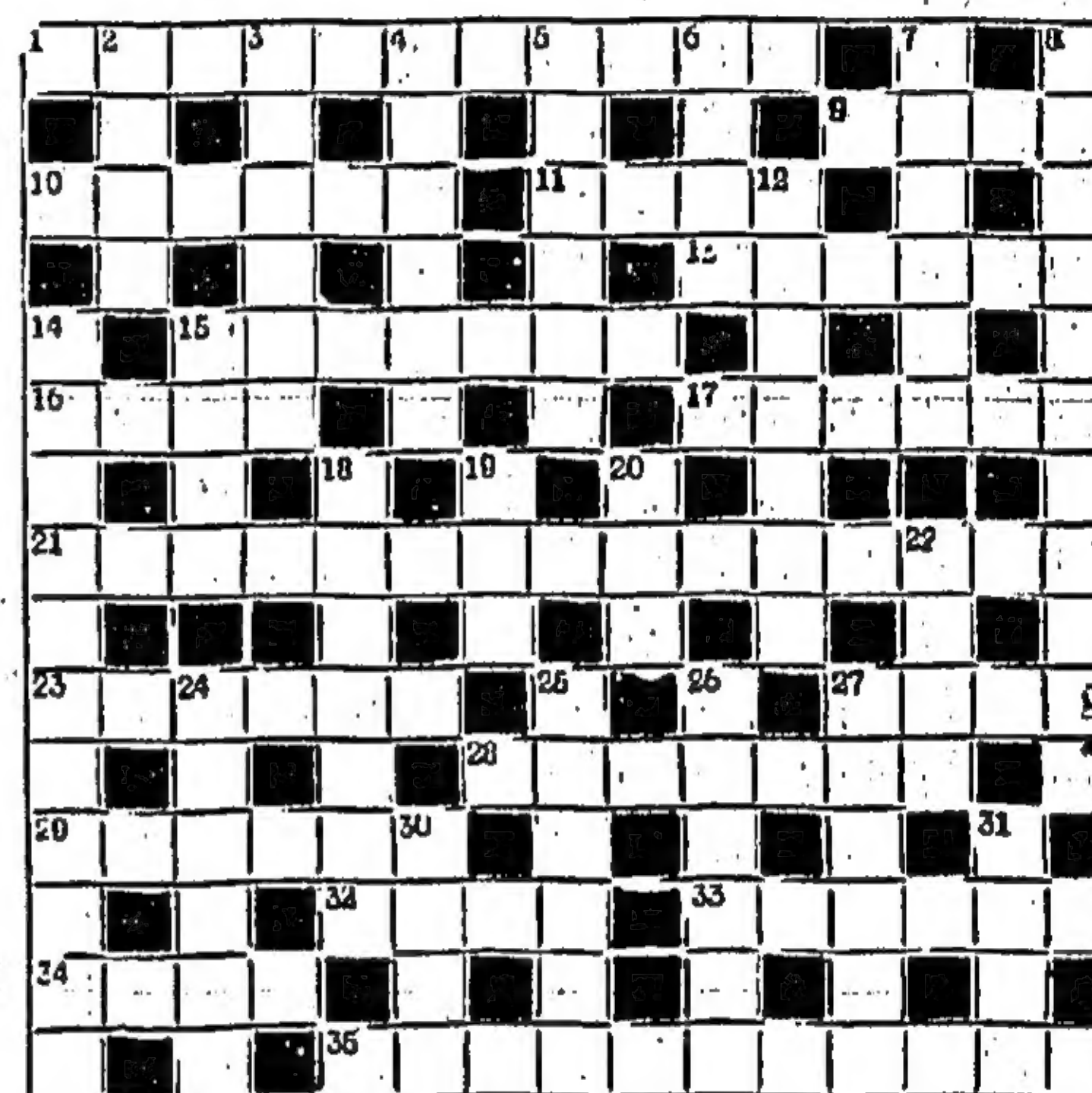
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- "Woods awe Tom," but this plant wears the white flowers of a blameless-life (anag.).
 - Cut prices to get food for poor Orientals.
 - Bird.
 - Fifty-one by itself.
 - How Slavin became changed, and took hard knocks without losing temper.
 - Stumped.
 - It sounds complete, but there's nothing of it.
 - A hybrid contributes largely to the charm.
 - The form of camouflage that "lightens up a girl." (Three-word anag.).
 - Another flowering plant, but this one is only partly hid.
 - Obliged to become intoxicating eventually.
 - Book of the Bible.
 - Cared for.
 - Double this.
 - Divers.
 - I can't see much in the doctor, but it would seem that the cow did.
 - You need this to even up things (hyphen).
 - Dutch town.
 - The gauge on a paper-making machine.
 - Many a man has to pay for what a woman has seen through this.
 - Lost energy.
 - Volcano.
 - Ornamental extremity.
- Down
- Tattered tails in truth show adaptability.
 - No friends of yours—or mine.
 - Counterparts.
 - This abroad is a rumour.
 - Undivided.
 - In short, the rest.
 - Representing unpaid debts.
 - A stiff paper arising from study about art.
 - No, he is not a cyclist, this commercial traveller.
 - In a breathing space the accountant will make a fresh computation, and make
 - A small entry.
 - Unload, roughly.
 - Only a female parent.
- Yesterday's Solution.
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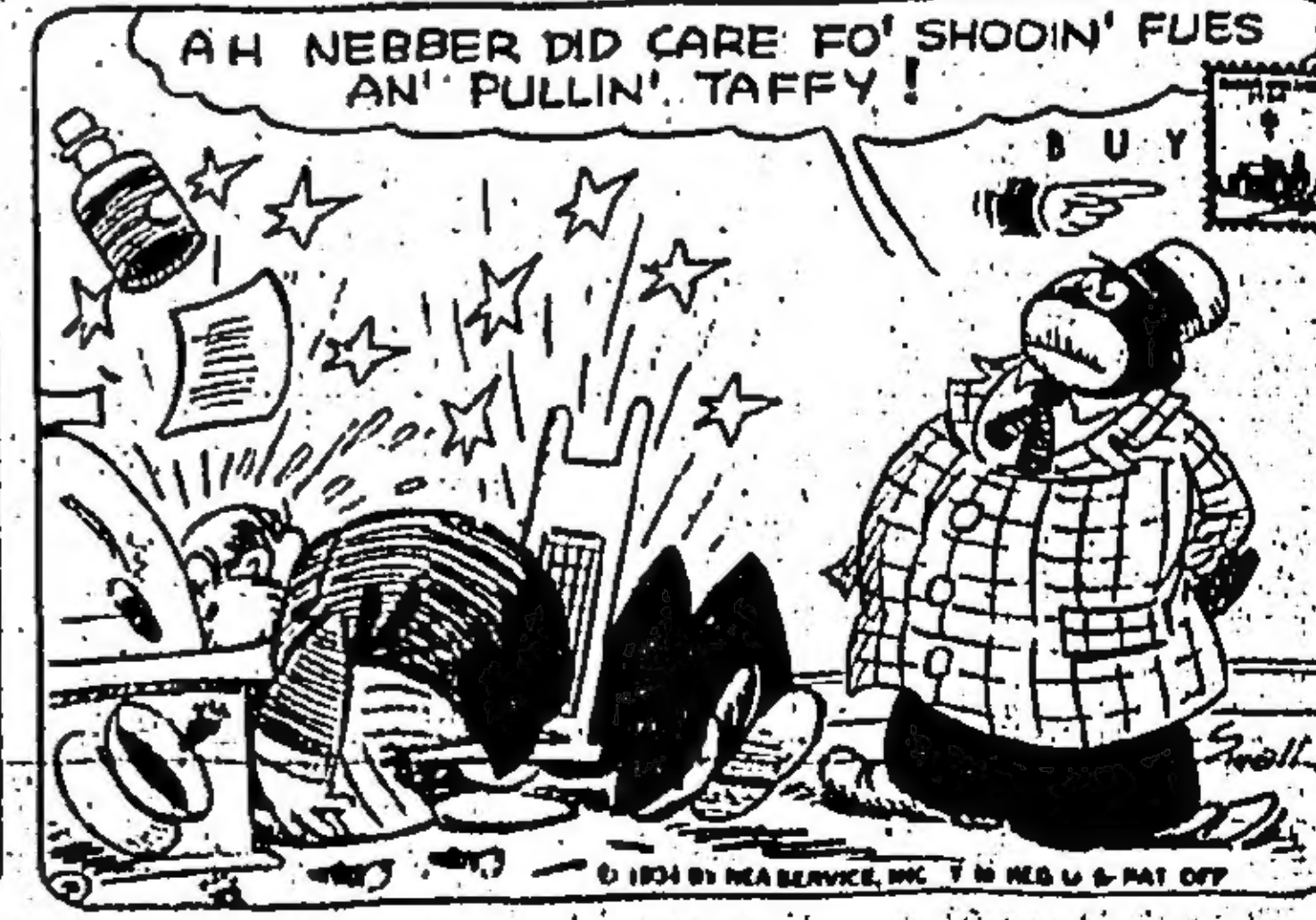
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CHINA MEANS TO
END EVILS

GOVERNMENT
NOT FOOLING

Tientsin.
The Chinese Government's drive against the narcotic evil is achieving an amazing success in North China where the traffic is either being destroyed or driven deep underground, it was apparent today.

The most casual observer cannot escape noticing the vast difference between the opium smoking and peddling situation in the foreign-controlled concessions of Shanghai as compared with the Chinese-controlled cities and communities in North China, at least.

China's change, made to the Opium Committee of the League of Nations recently, that the foreign concessions in China are the centres of the drug traffic in the Orient, created much bitterness but there is some reason to believe the facts were truthfully stated.

Any person who has lived in Shanghai or in North China, and is well acquainted with the average citizen, is struck at once with the changed attitude of the opium smoker or narcotic user to the narcotic laws.

The average Shanghai Chinese does not believe it against the law to smoke opium in his home although he knows that opium "does"



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are unlawful. One can walk through any typical Chinese passageway in Shanghai and smell the pungent fumes of opium emanating from the crowded houses on either side.

Of the thousands of sing-song houses in Shanghai, this correspondent has yet to hear of one where the opium lamp and pipe are not always ready for the guest. Special precautions are not even necessary as in the United States during the prohibition era, when a "password" or surveillance through a peephole was necessary before admittance.

In Tientsin, Nanking, Peking or any other city of North China, it is a different story. Clinics are established everywhere to cure narcotic and opium addicts. There is no "public" smoking as in Shanghai. Users lived in terror of being caught by the police and being given the "cure" for the first offence and facing a firing squad for the second.

There is, in Tientsin, only one large opium "den" known to most Chinese. It is in the Japanese



Steve Hamas went to Berlin to fight Max Schmeling recently, but could not hit the German hard enough to win.

SOUTH AMERICA CULTURE

SPREAD FAR TO
NORTH-WEST

CHAIN OF
EVIDENCE

Washington.
Aboriginal South American culture extended to the Bay Islands of the Caribbean off Honduras, a new report of the Smithsonian Institution indicates.

The report, by Dr. William Duncan Strong of the American Bureau of Ethnology is a study of "Chorolegan" type civilization, which at the time of Columbus centred in Spanish Honduras, Nicaragua and Costa Rica. Some archaeologists have sought to find in it the basis of the Maya civilization of Yucatan and Guatemala, the highest achieved in the aboriginal New World and one of the highest evolved independently anywhere on earth. It was much cruder than the higher culture, but bears certain general and perhaps basic resemblances to it. The findings of the Smithsonian expedition indicate that people of the Bay Islands had borrowed little from the nearby Maya, whereas the influence of the more distant Costa Rican civilization was strong.

Dr. Strong gives detailed descriptions of the art facts recovered and the sites explored, with the conclusion that the culture of the Bay Islands represents an extreme northern thrust of South American influence and that any final solution of the major problems of Central America must await more thorough exploration of the southern continent.

"Most of the archaeological remains on the Bay Islands and the adjacent mainland," he says, "show strong connections with the prehistoric Highland area of Costa Rica. . . . The only people of the Highland region, at the time of the conquest were the Guetari, who belong to the Chibchan linguistic stock of South America. . . . Historical evidence, ethnology, archaeology, and linguistics all combine to suggest that peoples of South American affiliations must have been responsible for most of the archaeological remains on the Bay Islands and probably in Northern Honduras as well. . . . That peoples of Chibchan or affiliated speech at least served as carriers of the culture seems clearly demonstrable.

"The occurrence of this marked prehistoric thrust of South American influence as far North and West as the Bay Islands has interesting theoretical connotations. It forms another link in the growing chain of evidence indicating that the answers to many basic problems of Middle American culture history lie buried in the Southern continent.—United Press.

Concession and is said to be licenced. If there are others, they are insignificant and not known to the average Chinese.

The fact that the anti-narcotic law is being strictly enforced against higher Chinese officials in North China, and the number of public executions witnessed here, are convincing the user in these parts that the Government is not fooling.—United Press.



Vast numbers of Chinese movie fans in Shanghai turned out en masse to view the funeral procession for Miss Yuan Ling-yu, cinema tragedienne, who was ranked second only to Butterfly Wu in the native cinema constellation. At top left is shown a cross section of the throng in Kiaochee Road. Top right is shown a gigantic glass-covered picture of the late star. A bottom left is seen the bus which conveyed part of the elaborate floral offerings—marchers may be seen holding strands of the black rope which encircled groups of the film colony who walked in the parade. At bottom right is shown the casket, with Mr. Tang Chi-sun, chief mourner a close friend of the star.

TRAINING THE NATION

CHIANG KAI-SHEK'S
PROGRAMME

BACK TO OLD
STANDARDS

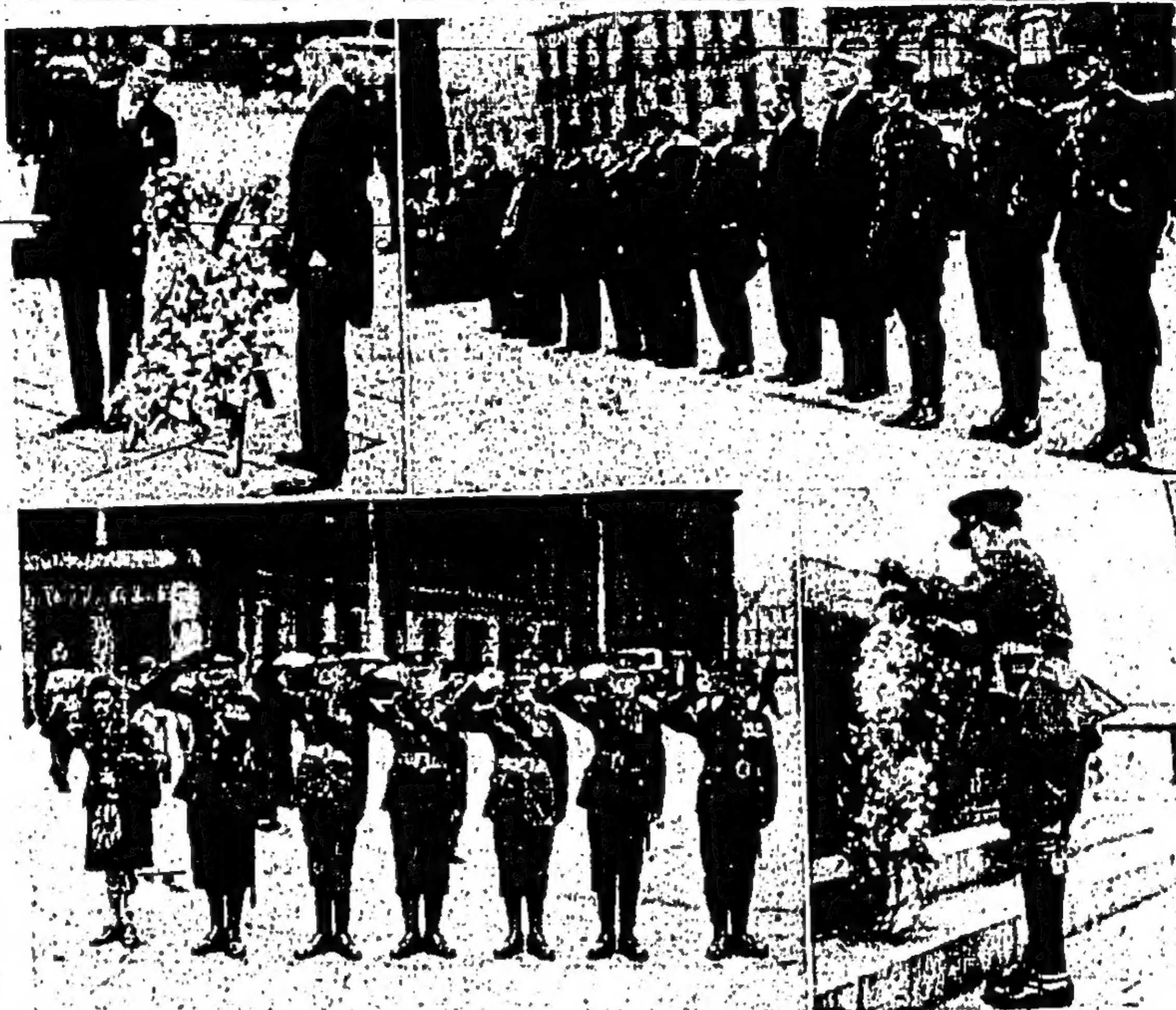
Nanking.
Physical training as a means of race strengthening is strongly advocated by General Chiang Kai-shek, China's active but un-athletic strong man, in a blanket order which would require all students;

teachers and public functionaries to select some form of athletics and train in it regularly.

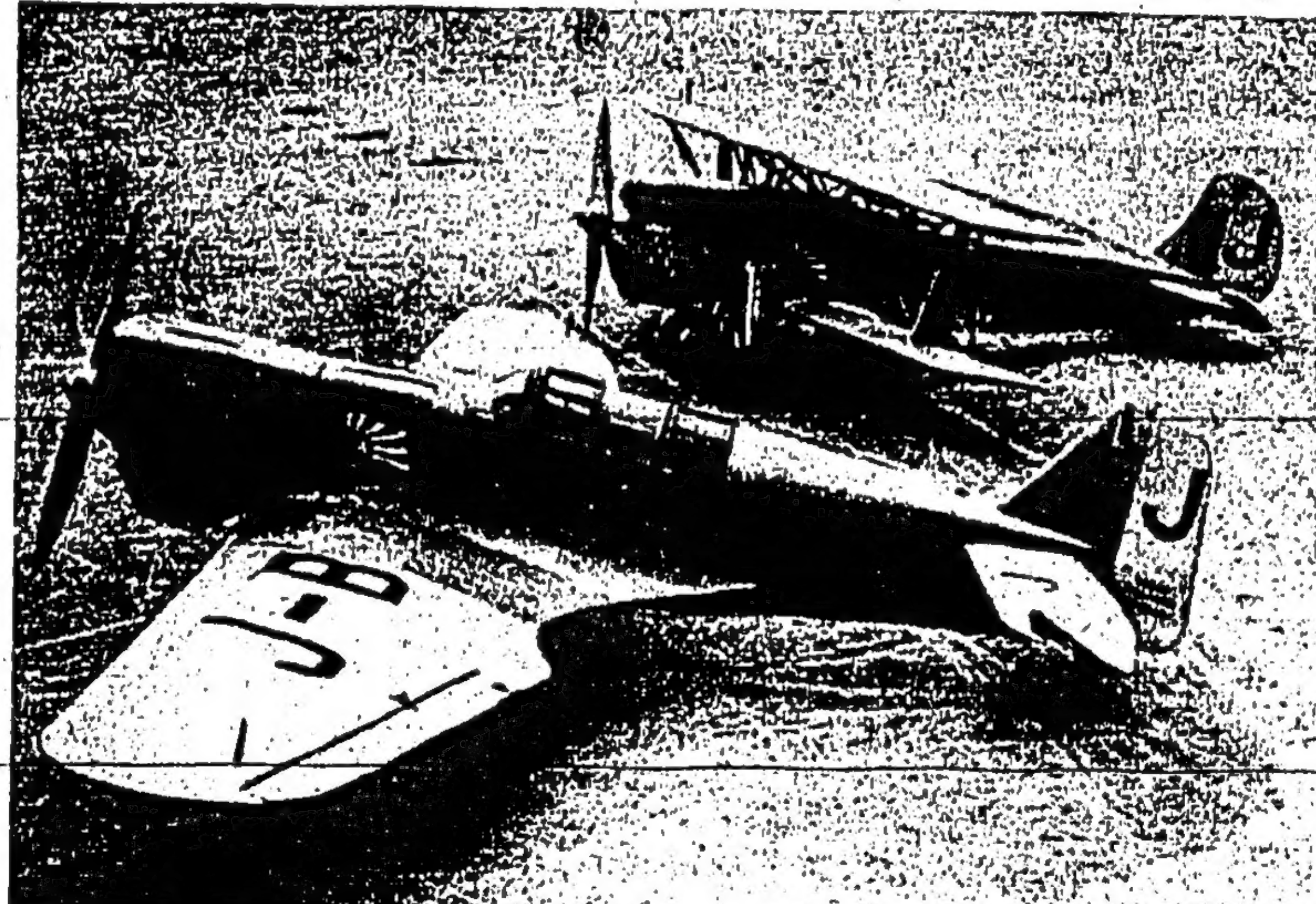
The Generalissimo's decision to enforce a nation-wide programme of individual and group physical training has not grown out of his personal experience practice, for the bulwark of the Chinese government has rarely been known to do much more than take short walks, usually accompanied by his American-educated wife.

Rather, the Generalissimo has gone back to the standard of the ancient Chinese, who included archery and chariot racing among the "six arts" to be excelled in by every scholar and candidate for public office.

In his circular order to all provincial, political and military administrations, General Chiang bluntly states that modern Chinese public servants, especially those occupying high places in party and military organisations, are too fond of a life of ease. To remedy this situation the head of the National Military Affairs Commission has ordered that group physical training, under qualified instructors, must be enforced in all organisations under control of the National Government. High officials may be excused from taking part in group training, but they must train regularly in a branch of physical activity of their own choosing.—United Press.



The occasion of St. Patrick's Day falling on the Sabbath made doubly impressive the customary wreath-laying ceremony at the Cenotaph, Shanghai, participated in by members of St. Patrick's Society and representatives of the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers. At top left are shown Messrs. E. F. Hardman and S. C. Young, President and Vice President of the Society, with the floral offering in the shape of "The Harp that rang through Tara's Halls." At top right are shown in file some of those who attended including Mr. Hardman, Mr. Young, Captain J. T. Inch and Mr. P. T. Givens. Left, below, are shown representatives of the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, on extreme left the piper who played an Irish lament. At right, below, a representative of the Inniskilling Regiment lays the military offering.



To further good will between the Japanese and Chinese people, the "Asahi," a Japanese-built aeroplane owned by the Tokyo Asahi and the Osaka Asahi, recently visited Nanking and Shanghai. The good-will plane is seen in the foreground before it left Tokyo.



Mr. Haselden's clever cartoon, reproduced above by kind permission of the London "Daily Mirror," makes jest of the tendency now-a-days to regard pastimes merely as health-aids. To extract all the enjoyment possible out of both work and play, depending upon Pinkettes, the gentle little liver laxatives, to keep the system clean and healthy active, is a wiser plan.

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TOLL DECREASES

HELISHA PLANS FOR ROAD SAFETY SUCCEEDING

London, Mar. 28.—Traffic fatalities on British highways have shown considerable decreases since the new traffic laws were brought into force.

This was revealed in the House of Commons yesterday by the Minister for Transport, Mr. Hore Belisha, who said that the number of people killed or injured had shown a continuous decrease.

He added that he anticipated that the fatality rate would be lower still at the end of the first week in which the 30 mile-per-hour speed limit in built-up areas had been in operation.

The speed limit had caused no traffic congestion in London, as had been anticipated by some quarters. On the contrary there was general agreement that traffic was proceeding more smoothly.

Singapore Link

Further traffic regulations will be brought into force on Monday, when the driving examination system, one of Mr. Hore Belisha's safety measures, is to be enforced. All new applicants for driving licences, and all who have obtained licences since April 1 last year, will have to undergo an examination.

Captain R. S. F. Stuart, of Bristol, a former Singapore resident, has been selected by the Minister to be chief examiner in the organisation which has been set up to test applicants for motor-driving licences in their competence to drive.

Expert motor-car and lorry drivers have been chosen to fill the 200 remaining vacancies on the new examination board.—British Wireless.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

As from 1st April, 1935, no member shall be permitted to transact business for forward delivery unless particulars as to the distinctive numbers of the shares bought and/or sold are inserted in the contracts, such numbers must always be supplied by the seller to the buyer of the shares on the date of the transaction, and shares delivered in fulfilment of any forward contracts must bear the identical numbers as those stated in the contracts.

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VIVIAN BENJAMIN,
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THE THIRTIETH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., on WEDNESDAY, 3rd April, 1935, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1934.

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Dollar Collection Fund.

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The boxes can be obtained from Mr. A. Morris, at the address mentioned above, or from Mr. S. F. Balfour, of the Colonial Secretariat.

The Collection is to begin on April 1, between which date and May 1 the boxes should be circulated; when filled, they should be sent to the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, which has kindly undertaken to receive same.

COUNCIL MEETING

LARGE SUMS FOR LOAN WORKS APPROVED

Approval of the sum of \$217,067.30 on account of loan works being met from surplus balances during the financial year 1934, pending the issue of a further loan, and of \$2,000,000 in respect of 1935, was given at yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council on the motion of the Colonial Treasurer.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir William Peel, K.C.M.G., K.B.E., presided, and there were also present: His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, Major General O. C. Barrett, C.B., C.M.G., C.B.E., D.S.O.;

The Colonial Secretary (Hon. Sir Thomas Southern, K.C.E., C.M.G.); The Attorney General (Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., O.B.E.);

The Secretary for Chinese Affairs (Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith);

The Colonial Treasurer (Hon. Mr. E. Taylor);

Commander G. F. Hole, R.N. (retired), (Harbour Master);

Hon. Dr. W. B. A. Moore (Acting Director of Medical and Sanitary Services);

Hon. Mr. R. M. Henderson (Director of Public Works);

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Hon. Mr. P. Bragg;

Hon. Mr. S. W. Tso, O.B.E., LL.D.; Hon. Mr. J. J. Patterson;

Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau;

Hon. Mr. A. D. Forrest (Acting Deputy Clerk of Council).

The report of the Finance Committee, No. 6, of March 22, 1935, was adopted on the motion of the Colonial Secretary, seconded by the Colonial Treasurer.

Loan Works

The Colonial Treasurer said: The resolutions standing in my name are in connection with approved loan works.

It will be recollected that before the issue of 3½% Bonds in July, 1934, and in anticipation of such borrowing the financing of the loan works was done out of surplus balances. At the end of June, 1934, \$3,422,297.62 had been so advanced. Between that date and December 31, 1934, \$5,064,709.68 was spent leaving \$217,067.30 overdrawn on loan account and this has been met from surplus balances pending further borrowing. Your approval of this is, therefore, requested.

During 1935 further sums must be advanced and as our cash resources will at the moment allow of this form of economical finance I am asking for authority to utilise part of this surplus in this manner and so save interest charges.

Referring to Appendix VI p.117 of the 1935 Estimates will show that the expenditure on loan works during 1935 is estimated at \$4,727,080 and of this amount \$466,148—(not including Crown Agents charges)—was expended at the end of February. I am now asking for \$2,000,000—of surplus balances to carry on for the first six months of this year when the position will be again reviewed as to whether further borrowing will be necessary or not.

It will be remembered that Ordinance 11 of 1934 authorising the Governor to borrow up to a sum not exceeding 25 million dollars. I now move—

1. That this Council approves of the sum of \$217,067.30 on account of loan works being met from surplus balances during the financial year 1934 pending the issue of a further loan.

2. That this Council approves of the sum of \$2,000,000 on account of loan works being met from surplus balances during the financial year 1935 pending the issue of a further loan.

The Colonial Secretary seconded, and this was agreed to.

Liquors Ordinance

The Colonial Treasurer moved the following resolution.

Resolved pursuant to section 39 of the Liquors Ordinance, 1931, Ordinance No. 39 of 1931, that Liquor Duties Resolutions of the 30th June, 1932, the 18th August, 1932, the 20th October, 1932, and the 14th June, 1934 (published respectively in the Gazette by Notifications No. 417 of the 30th June, 1932, No. 538 of the 18th August, 1932, No. 665 of the 21st October, 1932, and No. 465 of the 16th June, 1934) be rescinded and that on and after coming into operation of this Resolution the duties to be paid upon intoxicating or spirituous liquors imported into, or distilled, made or prepared in, the Colony shall

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ARIYOSHI AND WANG

DISCUSSION OF FOREIGN PILOTAGE RIGHTS

Nanking, March 28.—According to an official report, the question of pilotage rights held by foreigners in China was one of the issues being talked over during Mr. Ariyoshi's interview with Mr. Wang Ching Wei to-day.

The Japanese Minister also expressed his thanks for the cordial reception given by the Chinese Government to the Asahi plane during her goodwill visit to Nanking and Shanghai recently.—Central News Agency.

be assessed as in the following Table: Provided that the dollars and decimals thereof stated in the Table shall be conventional dollars reckoned as the equivalent of one shilling and eight pence sterling; and that consequently to arrive at the actual amount payable in Hongkong currency the conventional dollar stated in the Table shall be multiplied by 20 and divided by a figure settled by the Colonial Treasurer from time to time representing the average opening selling rates for the previous month of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation for demand drafts on London and until so settled the figure shall be 23.70.

Tables annexed showed the details of duties: no material change appeared, except that perry and cider are separated from beer in the schedule.

He said: The resolution standing in my name has been necessitated by the rise in the sterling value of the dollar above 1s/8d, the conventional rate taken in 1931 when all imported liquors and beers were assessed on a sterling basis.

Locally produced beer and Chinese type liquor remained on a silver basis and it is evident that with a dollar reckoned above 1s/8d the local article would pay slightly more in duty. This resolution brings local beer and Chinese type liquor onto the conventional dollar and prevents what would otherwise be an unfair preference on imported liquor. For purposes of easy reference, advantage has been taken to rescind all previous resolutions dealing with duties under the Liquors Ordinance, 1931, and consolidate them in the one resolution which I move.

The Colonial Secretary seconded, and this was agreed to.

Buildings Ordinance

In connection with the first reading of a Bill introduced "An Ordinance to amend and consolidate the Law relating to the Construction of Buildings," His Excellency the Governor said: As certain representations have been made to Government, with the permission of the Council I propose to postpone the first reading of the Bill.

This was agreed to. The Peak Tramway Amendment Ordinance, 1935, passed through its final stages without amendments. Council was adjourned until Thursday, April 4.

Finance Committee

Following the meeting of the Council, a meeting of the Finance Committee was held at which votes totalling \$37,037 were approved. The Colonial Secretary presided.

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Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London 7th March).	Haruna Maru	March 29.
Straits and London Parcels—London, 21st February and Air Mail Express Imperial Airways Service, (London 16th March)	Patroclus	March 29.
Manila	Pres. Grant	March 29.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 1st March)	Pres. Polk	March 29.
Straits and Europe via Negapatam (Letters and Papers, London, 28th February, and Air Mail Express Amsterdam—Bandong Service (Amsterdam, 13th March).	Sulung	March 29.
Amoy	Santha	March 29.
Straits and Amoy	Genoa Maru	March 30.
Shanghai and Amoy	Sochow	March 30.
Japan	Taiyuan	March 30.
Shanghai	Nankin	March 30.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai (San Francisco, 8th March).	Saie	March 31.
Manila	Pres. Lincoln	April 1.
Japan	Emp. of Asia	April 3.
Australia and Manila	Manila Maru	April 3.
Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers) London, 7th March and London: Parcels—London, 28th February.	Nellere	April 3.
Calcutta and Straits	Ranchi	April 3.
Straits	Sirubana	April 3.
Japan and Shanghai	Conte Verde	April 4.
Saloon	Cathay	April 5.
Japan and Shanghai	Felix Roussel	April 5.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle, 16th March)	General Lee	April 6.
Japan	President Jefferson	April 6.
Shanghai	Brisbane Maru	April 6.
Australia and Manila	Andre Lebon	April 6.
Straits	Changto	April 9.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 22nd March)	Eumaeus	April 9.
Japan	Pres. Coolidge	April 11.
	Talma	April 11.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per Friday.	Date and Time
Holchow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Yochow	Fri., Mar. 29, 1 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Fuzhou	Haiyang	Fri., Mar. 29, 2 p.m.
*Straits and *Europe via Marseilles	Bhutan	Fri., Mar. 29.
—due Marseilles, 27th April		
K.P.O.	G.P.O.	
Parcels, .. March 29, 1.00 p.m.	Parcels, .. March 29, 3 p.m.	
Reg., .. March 29, 3.30 p.m.	Reg., .. March 29, 4.15 p.m.	
Letters, .. March 29, 4.30 p.m.	Letters, .. March 29, 5.00 p.m.	
Letters for "Singapore—Australia	Haruna Maru	Fri., March 29
Air Mail Service"	G.P.O.	
Reg., .. March 29, 4 p.m.	Reg., .. March 29, 4.30 p.m.	
Letters, .. March 29, 4.30 p.m.	Letters, .. March 29, 5 p.m.	
Letters for "Singapore—Australia	Santha	Fri., Mar. 29.
Air Mail Service"	G.P.O.	
Reg., .. Mar. 29, 4.00 p.m.	Reg., .. Mar. 29, 4.30 p.m.	
Letters, .. Mar. 29, 4.30 p.m.	Letters, .. Mar. 29, 5.00 p.m.	
Manila	Pres. Polk	Fri., Mar. 29, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U. S. A., Central and South America and *Europe via Victoria B.C., and *Europe via Siberia (B.C., 10th April)	President Grant	Fri., Mar. 29.
Holchow and Pakhoi	Parcels, .. March 29, 3 p.m.	
Straits, Ceylon, India, *Mauritius, *E. and *South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles (due Marseilles, 27th April).	Reg., .. March 29, 4.15 p.m.	
K. P. O.	Letters, .. March 29, 5 p.m.	
Reg., .. Mar. 29, 4.30 p.m.	Reg., .. Mar. 29, 5 p.m.	
Letters, .. Mar. 29, 4.30 p.m.	Letters, .. Mar. 29, 5 p.m.	

Saturday.

Straits and Calcutta	Santha	Sat., Mar. 30.
Parcels, .. Mar. 29, 5 p.m.	Letters, .. Mar. 30, 8.30 a.m.	
Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia	Patroclus	Sat., Mar. 30, 5 p.m.
Manila	Silversandal	Sat., Mar. 30, 5 p.m.
Japan	Sulung	Sat., Mar. 30, 5 p.m.

Sunday.

Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Hozan Maru	Sun., Mar. 31, 9 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kwangchow	Sun., Mar. 31, 9 a.m.

Monday.

Foochow	Teau	Mon., Apr. 1, 3.30 p.m.
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Tuesday.

*Manila, Makassar and Sourabaya	Tijlsdane	Tues., Apr. 2, 9.30 a.m.
Holchow and Bangkok	Kaying	Tues., Apr. 2, 1.30 p.m.
*Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane	Nankin	Tues., Apr. 2, Noon.
(Due Brisbane, 20th April).	Reg., .. Apr. 2, 1.45 p.m.	
Letters, .. Apr. 2, 2.30 p.m.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	Tues., Apr. 2, 3 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Lincoln	Tues., Apr. 2, 4.30 p.m.

Wednesday.

*Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. Manila Maru	Wed., Apr. 3, 2.30 p.m.	
and S. Africa.		
Amoy	Taiyuan	Wed., Apr. 3, 3.30 p.m.

Thursday.

*Shanghai	Conte Verde	Thurs., Apr. 4, 9.30 a.m.
Straits	Cramer	Thurs., Apr. 4, 9.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan and *Europe via Siberia.	Ranchi	Thurs., Apr. 4, 10.30 a.m.
Haiphong	Canton	Thurs., Apr. 4, 2 p.m.

Friday.

Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. and S. America and *Europe via Vancouver B.C. (Parcels for Canada only) and *Europe via Siberia.	Emp. of Asia	Fri., Apr. 5.
(Due Vancouver B.C., 22nd April).	Reg., .. Apr. 4, 5 p.m.	
Holchow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Letters, .. Apr. 5, 10 a.m.	
*Superscribed correspondence only.	King Yuan	Fri., Apr. 5, 1 p.m.

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DUKE AND DUCHESS OF KENT ON ASTOR YACHT

London, Mar. 28.—The Duke and Duchess of Kent, together with the Governor of the Bahamas and Lady Clifford took luncheon with President Roosevelt in the Astor yacht, Nourmahal, yesterday off Nassau.—British Wireless.

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CINEMA NEWS

NOTES FROM THE THEATRES

"Broadway Bill," the Frank Capra comedy sensation co-starring Warner Baxter and Myrna Loy, which has been hailed in many quarters as the successor to the famed "It Happened One Night," is due at the Queen's Theatre to-morrow. Aside from the unique qualities of delightful comedy, whimsy and charming romance with which both films are endowed, the similarity between the facts that both were produced by Columbia, directed by Frank Capra, written by Robert Riskin and featured a starring team of exceptional players. The story of "Broadway Bill" is that of a romance between a man and a girl, both imbued with the love of home and a roving nature. Drama, pathos and humour are said to be blended into the screen play with the deft Capra touch. Miss Loy is presented as a new and intriguing personality and Baxter's portrayal as the young man married into a rich family but who wants freedom from wealth and in-laws, is grand. "Broadway Bill" is said to be reminiscent of Capra's recent success "It Happened One Night." Others in the cast of the new film are Helen Vinson as Baxter's wife, Walter Connolly, Clarence Muse, Raymond Walburn and many others—all ace performers and forming a typical Capra cast.

"The First World War"

Speaking over the radio recently, Lowell Thomas famous broadcaster, described Laurence Stallings' book, "The First World War," as "a spectacular collection of photographs." "The First World War" has now been made into a motion picture and, according to advance reports, it is more "spectacular" still. Stallings himself has again handled the job of editing, but in the film version he has the added advantage of animated figures and events as subjects for comment. Some of the most remarkable films stored for years in the secret archives of Europe and the United States are shown to the public for the first time in "The First World War," which will arrive at the King's Theatre soon.

"Crime Without Passion"

Once a good scenario has been written and a capable cast selected, a motion picture's success or failure depends on the capability of its

cameraman, electricians, sound technicians, director and crew, according to Ben Hecht. "And, in selecting a cast, we picked those whom we consider 'corners' to wit: Claude Rains, Whitney Bourne and Margot the Spanish-American dancer. That, of course, was after we had written the best scenario we knew how to write. Then we lined up Lee Garmes, one of the best cameramen ever to come out of Hollywood; Slavko Vorkapich, ace technician; Albert Johnson, who has designed sets for numerous Broadway hits; Art Rosson, who has some striking new ideas about direction, and so on down the line. If our theory is correct, "Crime Without Passion" can't help being a success."

"The Hell Cat"

Set in the colourful atmosphere of newspaperdom, "The Hell Cat," the Columbia melodrama featuring Robert Armstrong and Ann Sothern concludes its local engagement to-day at the Queen's Theatre. The picture is said to be an unusually interesting treatment of the timing of the shrew theme in which a reporter encounters a wilful society girl and proceeds to teach her the A.B.C.'s of "how to be nice," making a practical application of that old admonition "treat'em rough and treat'em seldom" when Miss Sothern as the spitfire deludes him for attempting to take her picture and is surprised to find him returning the ship. Directed by Al Rogell, "The Hell Cat" is full of action and laughs blended in equal portions and interspersed with a series of thrilling incidents and some genuine drama. The supporting cast includes Minna Gombell, Bunny Baker, Irving Bacon, J. Carroll Nash, Henry Kolker, Farnell Pratt and Richard Henning.

"Kid Millions"

Eddie Cantor, bandy-eyed clown who last year charmed among charists and lions in the Rome of the Caesars, in "Roman Scandals," this season invades the land of the camels and the pyramids in "Kid Millions," which comes to the King's Theatre to-day. The comedian's fifth annual screen musical extravaganza for Samuel Goldwyn introduces him as a black sheep of the Brooklyn waterfront who inherits a fortune in buried treasure and travels to Egypt to claim it, with Ann Sothern, Ethel Merman, George

"TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT

Topical Pictures To-morrow

Many interesting pictures will appear in to-morrow's issue of the *Telegraph Pictorial Supplement*, including some of the recent big-scale manoeuvres in Hongkong.

Amongst the groups will be one showing Spanish Fathers, including Father Bravo, recently released by Communists after over a year's captivity. The wedding of Mr. Yung Chi-yim and Miss Emily Tam will be illustrated, whilst other pictures will show the women's section of the Golf Club at the annual Fanning Meeting, the staff of St. Stephen's Girls' School, the Morrison Hall athletic team, and a photo will also appear of the St. Patrick's Ball in progress.

Murphy, and Block and Sully, leading romance, "hotcha," and hilarity to the proceedings. The season's most tuneful song hits are a feature of the film. Arthur Sheekman, Nat Perrin and Nunnally Johnson are credited with the story and dialogue of the film, which was directed by Roy Del Ruth, for release through United Artists. Seymour Felix staged the dances and ensembles. The colour direction of the Ice Cream Fantasy feature is by Willy Fogarty.

"Evergreen"

From whatever angle it is regarded, "Evergreen" is sound entertainment. This Gaumont-British adaptation and elaboration of C. B. Cochran's stage production which comes to the Central Theatre on Wednesday gathers within its ample folds two distinct entertainment periods: the old Tivoli days and modernity in variety. Those "old Tivoli days" should endear "Evergreen" to the heart of the old-timer. The reconstruction has been accomplished with such fidelity that those who were familiar with the house in the Strand will scarcely require an effort of the memory to bring a return of those happy times. By way of contrast we have the old-time music

21 YEARS AGO

Extracts From the "Telegraph" Files

The following extracts are from the *Hongkong Telegraph* for the week ended March 28, 1914.

The rate of dollar on demand was 1s. 11.3/16d.

St. John's Cathedral seetholders approved a scheme for raising a fund by monthly subscriptions to provide a stipend for an Assistant Chaplain.

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The wedding took place at St. John's Cathedral of Mr. J. Kerfoot, manager of Jardine's Shanghai cotton mills, and Miss Elizabeth Gaskell.

At the annual meeting of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club, Mr. Mr. R. Hall was appointed President; Mr. D. Cooper, Vice-President; Mr. W. J. Crawford, Hon. Treasurer; and Mr. B. G. Taylor, Hon. Secretary.

hall and the modern theatre with its opulent display in settings, the magnificence and the artistry of large singing and dancing choruses, advanced technique in production, and the brilliance of brilliant musical numbers. What does not alter is the appreciation of a good song and a clever dance by a popular artist, and the new as well as the old Harriet Green, in the person of Jessie Matthews, will win the heart of the most hardened amusement-seeker by her supreme artistry. Betty Halford's "return," in the character of Maude, will be appreciated. Sonnie Hale has a part which affords him real opportunity and he puts over a fine performance, as does also Barry MacKay. Others in the cast include Harley Power, excellent as the blackmailer, Ivor Maclaren, Patrick Ludlow, Betty Shale and Marjorie Brooks.

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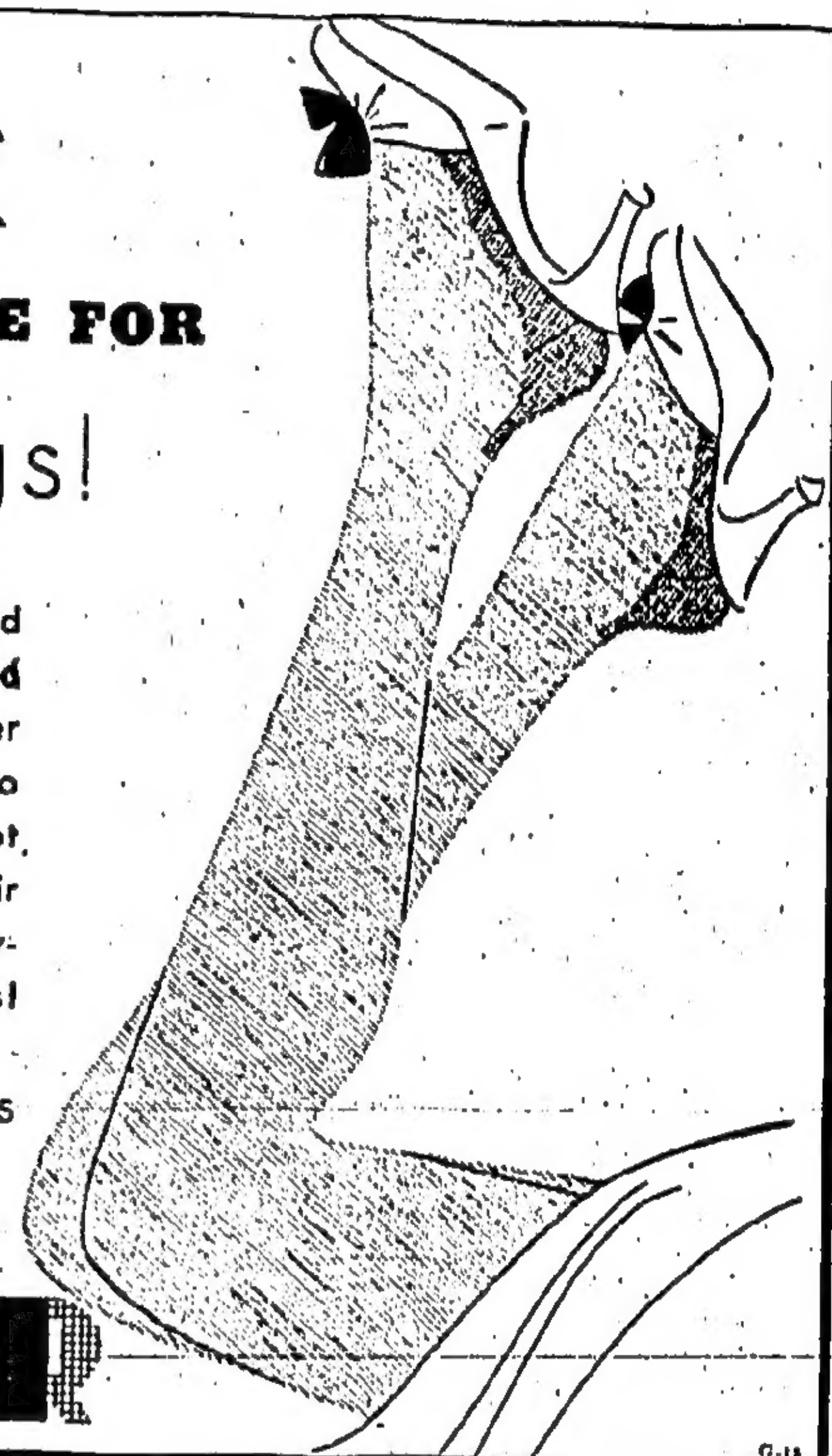
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MUNITIONS TRADE CONTROL

France, unlike Britain and the United States, is not disposed at the moment to conduct an investigation into the manufacture of armaments. The reason given by M. Flandin is that he is against French national defence being discussed at the present moment. Meanwhile, it is of interest to note that as the United States Senate moves nearer to passage of a law limiting war-time profits in the munitions trade, further exposures of how the trade was handled in the Great War are threatened. It is even suggested by members of the Nye Committee that there was something like a strike of capital in the most crucial moments of the war, when big munitions makers are said to have delayed production to quibble over profits at a time of national crisis. Senator Nye bluntly states that some of the munitions makers "forgot patriotism for personal gain." How it is intended to curb such obstruction is not at the moment disclosed, but it is believed that the United States will make an endeavour to rule out such a possibility in the future. A great change has come over war-making in the last generation. Nowadays, when a nation goes to war, it must go as a unit. The soldier is only the spearhead of its effort. Behind him all the wealth and industry of the nation must be united. This is because the scope of modern war has broadened so tremendously. In the old days war was carried on chiefly by professional armies, augmented by volunteers. Except for raising prices and a shortage of man-power, a nation's daily life was not very greatly affected by war. Despite all effort, the slogan of "Business as usual" has been found to be impossible when modern war breaks out; every citizen and every institution must be a cog in the war-making machine. It is for that reason that the old, individualistic method of creating and marketing war supplies is obsolete in war time. Individual rights must be over-riden. Freedom, in the ordinary sense, is suspended for duration of the conflict. That is why some form of government control over the munitions trade is a war-time essential. It is also, when one stops to think about it, the greatest of all arguments against war itself.

NOTES OF THE DAY

GERMAN RESENTMENT

It is easy to understand the German resentment against the Lithuanian Government for sentencing to death those persons who were found guilty of murdering a fellow-conspirator, who had turned "state's evidence." Yet, surely, at a time when women are executed for selling information of military nature to a foreign power, there can be no appalling shock when some foreign court sentences to prison those who plot against the Government. The four persons condemned to die in Lithuania were murderers as well as conspirators. For murder there is a heavy penalty under any flag. The fact that the murderers were also conspirators, plotting to win back to Germany the territory of Memel and the city of that name, brings them the sympathy of the German people. We, too, can sympathise with them in their love for their native land, and their desire to return to it. We do not condone their methods, however; nor do we hold with the policy of violence by which they hoped to attain their ends. They should pay the penalty of their crime as reasonable and just. They will not be executed as conspirators, but as murderers.

BRITAIN'S RESPONSIBILITY

Britain has long recognised that no permanent adjustment of Europe's tension can take place without restoration of Germany to a legitimately equal position, an equality which is admittedly meaningless without the implementation of an adequate measure of armament and a primary voice in diplomatic negotiations. Accusations that the British, in contriving the London Accords, have sought to force the Reich merely to sign on the dotted line, miss the vital point of Downing Street policy. Britain may have been deeply disturbed by successive internal developments in Germany, but it has not departed from the clear recognition that "encirclement," by which is meant a building up of protective alliances about the German borders, will hardly place the Germans in a position where they feel free to undertake real and substantial guarantees to peace. Yet the second aspect of the British policy is a distinct realism. Should the present peace efforts fail because of intransigence, or because of a nationalism which refuses to view continental problems in their broader aspect, Britain is apparently prepared to accept greater responsibilities to solidify the continental peace structure. Distinctly the British preference is for a security system in which Germany can take its place. But failing this, Britain apparently is not in a mood to avoid the consequences of agreements with those nations which are willing to enter a newly stabilised grouping.

POOR FARMER!

Ten thousand women in California are going on a meat strike. That means they will not buy from the butcher a single ten-cent order of ground steak for a hungry husband nor a scrap of liver for the cat. There will be approximately ten thousand disgruntled households if the strike goes on. The thing has its serious aspect, however. The housewives of the California state generally are amongst the best off in the world today so far as cheap necessities are concerned. There are few parts of the world where fruit is cheaper and better. Dairy products have always been moderately priced, and vegetables are too cheap for farmers to bother growing them, except in great bulk. The problem seems to be meat. The complaint is against nothing else for the moment. And yet, not a week ago, we read an advertisement in an American journal offering two pounds of best beef and five pounds of mixed vegetables... all for twenty cents. There are certain cuts, as any housewife knows, which cost more than others. One would not expect to get tenderloin and the choice roasting bits of the rump for the same price one would pay for stewing beef. But a couple of pounds of good red meat and five pounds of vegetables for twenty cents, approximately 40 cents in Hongkong money, seems to us to be a price against which there is very little reason to complain. It seems to us that Californians do not know when they are well off. The housewives suggest that the federal Government do something to help the stock farmers so that they can sell more cheaply. What we know of the cattle business is very little; but it is sufficient for us to appreciate that a reduction of prices for beef on the hoof would be disastrous to the plainmen of the American and Canadian West. That is not where the profits are going, if profits there be. The housewives of California must look to someone other than the poor farmer to reduce the cost of living. Compared to the farmer's lot, the average household in American cities lives on the threshold of Heaven.

"WE FARMERS MUST HAVE TARIFFS"

By J. F. WRIGHT

(Secretary, Norfolk Branch of the National Farmers' Union)

In calling for a general tariff on all agricultural produce, Mr. Wright, who farms extensively in South-East Norfolk, points out that marketing boards give little or no protection against cheap imports. Yet recently the announcement is made that the establishment of still another board—for marketing eggs and poultry—is officially recommended.

DURING the last year or two home agriculture has been floundering in a tangle of quotas and subsidies which have done nothing towards the essential need of permanent economic stability. The formation of Marketing Boards for milk and bacon pigs, with little or no protection against the menace of cheap imports, has brought no improvement in the financial returns for these products.

There is therefore little cause for wonder that responsible agricultural opinion—which has never really wavered but which has been willing to give the Government's policy a "try-out"—has again turned to the simple and sane alternative of tariffs as a means of establishing the farmer's right to the first position in the home market.

The present policy is enmeshing farmers in a maze of regulations, and actually is heading towards restriction of production, the mere contemplation of which is arousing a storm of resentment, and the enforcement of which would be entirely opposed to national interests.

Here we are, with an army of unemployed, still importing foodstuffs to the value of over £250,000,000 yearly, and yet talking about producing less at home, involving more unemployment here and the paying of more money to workers in other countries.

It is utterly wrong. We must produce to the maximum; we must work on the land and a living wage for many more men.

How is it to be done? Not by regulating and harassing home farmers, and giving to foreign countries quotas which are disregarded and which still leave our markets flooded with competitive imports, often dumped here at values far below the prices at which they are sold in the country of production.

Not by a policy of subsidies. The disastrous crashing of prices has forced farmers to accept aid in whatever form the Government has offered it. But they hate being on the dole, and they know perfectly well that the country will not continue to spoon-feed agriculture.

They argue thus: The land of this country ought to produce as much as it will grow. If we were free agents we might be able to struggle along. But Parliament has fixed our main cost of production—wages—and therefore we cannot compete with countries where every cost is lower, or with those whose Governments subsidise exports. If we are to continue to produce we must be protected against unfair competition.

Now, in my judgment, the policy of the National Government is failing. The general level of agricultural prices is lower than it was when the Government took office (some products are below their pre-war value) while costs have risen since 1931.

It is obvious that unless the Government alter their ways and drastically cut the imports of the foodstuffs which are keeping home production values low cost, the intricate system of marketing which farmers have been galled into accepting, and for which they are being heavily levied, will not bring about an improvement. But the Government have tied their own hand with the Ottawa and foreign trade agreements, and while these operate they cannot take effective action.

They are not even doing as much as they could.

Consider the question of butter imports. Empire supplies are unregulated, but the allocations to Denmark and Sweden were based on a total Empire importation of 8,100,000 cwt.; in the event of this quantity being exceeded, the countries named were to be allotted a share of the excess.

Knowing the plight of the home dairying industry and the difficulties of the Milk Board, it should have been the business of the Government to ensure that imports were kept below the named quantity.

It could have been done; but imports in 1934 were 9,702,818 cwt., and the excess which might have been kept out was equivalent to more than 420,000,000 gallons of milk.

The quantity of home-produced milk surplus to liquid requirements and used for manufacturing purposes last year was roughly 237,000,000 gallons, and this surplus lowered the price of the whole home output. If the Government had kept butter imports down it would have helped the Milk Marketing Scheme.

Agriculture, the most vital industry in the country, deserves better treatment than it has had. Tariffs are as essential to it as to any other industry, and would operate without the irritating effects which quotas have upon our trade with other countries.

Beef-producers particularly are in need of this help. It is an established fact that consumption in this country has declined, yet imports have greatly increased, despite all the efforts to restrict them. Last year we received 634,000 tons—5 per cent. more than in 1933—and even with the aid of the subsidy home prices are only just above the pre-war level.

These prices are ruinous. Every bullock marketed to-day is losing money either to the breeder or fattener, and in most cases to both. Surely it is time the Government considered anew the

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The Very Idea!

OUR AGONY COLUMN

By Horatio (Love-Lorn) Boggs

"Lone gent, thrown on his own resources on this inhospitable Island of Hongkong, would like to meet young lady with view to congenial friendship for which his wretched soul has always craved."—H.P.

"If 'H.B.' is sincere in his representations and cares to give more information about himself, it would give undersigned great pleasure to know him."—A.D.

"A.D.' is very kind to have answered. Noblesse oblige, and so it is only fair she should have the information required. My age is well this side of forty, although a bald patch on the crown may seem to belie it. I eat with moderation, but will not refuse a drink. I am perfectly sound in health, not having neglected to take my daily dose of Kruschen salts, and my teeth are intact and the best money can buy. Beside the platonic friendship such as ours will be, I am sure you will agree with me that money is a secondary consideration and so we need not discuss it here."—H.B.

"Your letter is so charmingly written that it has made the meeting with you one of pleasurable anticipation for me. Will the Gloucester Lounge at 10.30 on Friday suit? I must confess I shall be awfully disappointed if I do not see you."—A.D.

"Extremely nice of you to have said all that. I shall hold myself responsible for keeping the appointment. I shall be identified by a black suit with roses in the button-hole."—H.B.

And so we went to keep that appointment with a heart that cruelly palpitated. We met her. To say we were pleased by what we saw was to tell a brazen untruth, and to say we were disappointed would be ungallant to the lady. No doubt she would have more reason to say as much of us, and was as much repelled. But having proceeded that far, we felt we could not withdraw with honour.

From that moment we hated each other, and we knew it. Only if that were possible, we hated her more than she did us, this because we both knew it was within her power to have considered our feelings and freed us from an irksome contract.

For the sixth time that day, The Thing had rung us up. We cursed softly. "Shall I see you to-day?" she asked with the privilege of a twenty-four hours' friendship.

We prayed in our heart of hearts that she would not, only we did not say so, and muttered something about work. But she was insistent.

"Well, make it 9 p.m. then," we snarled.

"What am I to do with myself in the meantime?" she demanded. We dam-well knew what we would want her to do. The mild-mannered thing we would be wanting her to do would be to remove herself the farthest sphere from our existence, but there again, we were too dumb to say it.

"Go to the pictures," we suggested, this very weakly.

"I may do that, but I have a grand idea. There is a cheap sale at the—Slik Store, and I need so many things, dear. We can take that sale in with the pictures."

"So we can, and no doubt, we shall also have time to take in the tea dance at the Roof Garden, dinner in the Grillroom, and the Charity Ball afterwards at the Peninsula."

There are occasions when one is mad enough to turn the dagger in a self-inflicted wound. This was one of those occasions.

"How thoughtful of you darling," The Thing gurgled. Then, anxiously, "Are you sure we can go to all that and have time left for supper afterwards?"

"Of course we can, but we are not going to!" we replied.

"What do you mean? Think of the glorious time we both will be having."

"I am not insensible to your way of thinking, young lady, but—"

"But what?"

"It was congenial companionship for which I had bargained, before you got me in on these unending round of engagements and pleasures."

"And are you not getting it? How ungrateful of you to say you have not."

"Not a bit," we spoke up, the time for polite speaking gone.

"You are no gentleman," The Thing had started to scream over the wire.

"And you are no lady, either," we calmly went on, "You are a gold-digger."

At this point a grating noise came over, indicative of the receiver being replaced with force at the other end of the line. So ended our first romance.



"She's my best friend and I wouldn't say a thing against her, but she is an awful cat."

Simon Reports On Parley

DIFFERENCES OF OPINION

AUDIENCE WITH KING

London, March 28.

Responding in the House of Commons to a request from the leader of the Opposition, Mr. George Lansbury, for a statement on his Berlin visit, Sir John Simon, said:

"The House is aware that the visit to Berlin is one of a series of visits of exploration and enquiry now being paid on behalf of His Majesty's Government to various foreign capitals and that when these visits are concluded they will be followed by a meeting at Stresa, North Italy, where I hope to meet Signor Mussolini and Monsieur Laval.

"In these circumstances it will be obviously undesirable to make a full statement as to the position still under investigation. Unauthorised speculations, such as have appeared in some quarters, should be disregarded. I may say, however, that in the course of the two days' conversation with Herr Hitler the European problem in relation to Germany was reviewed and all topics mentioned in the London communiqué of February 3 were brought under discussion.

OPINIONS DIFFER

"Considerable divergence of opinion between the two Governments was revealed by the conversations, but the result of the meeting was undoubtedly valuable, in that both sides were able clearly to understand their respective points of view—a process indispensable to any further progress."

Asked if any of the conversations that had taken place, or would take place within the next ten or eleven days, would alter the position of the Stresa Conference, or had a conference been definitely arranged between the three former allied powers, Sir John Simon replied that the Stresa meeting was for the three powers mentioned and he did not think it was possible for him, or anybody, to speculate as to what would be the possible events after that.

Sir John Simon was received in an audience by the King at Buckingham Palace to-day. He spent three quarters of an hour in the private apartments of His Majesty talking with His Majesty. It is understood he discussed with the King the conversations he had in Berlin.—*British Wireless.*

"RESOLUTE" HERE ON TOUR

NOTED PASSENGERS ON BOARD

With over 300 passengers aboard, the luxurious Hamburg-America liner arrived in Hongkong this morning on her 14th annual round-the-world tour, and berthed at the Kowloon wharves. Of the tourists, 194 are Americans and 97 Germans, the remainder comprising French, British, Italian, Swiss, Spanish, Argentinian, Rumanian, Uruguayan, Portuguese, Czech-Slovakian and Hungarian citizens.

Members of the European nobility on board include the following: Duke Ludwig of Bavaria, accompanied by the Duchess; Prince Adolf von Schaumburg-Lippe, of Bueckeburg, and the Princess; Baron Eltel Friedrich Schilling von Canstatt, of Berlin; Baron Oscar von der Lancken-Warwitz, of Berlin; Prince Rudolf Hohenlohe-Langenburg, and the Princesses Anna, Baron Joachim von Finck, of Nothnau, near Dresden; Baron Friedrich von Diergardt, of Leverkusen; and Count von Pfeil, of Adelsdorf, and the Countess.

The Resolute is already a familiar ship in these waters. She has made 13 previous cruises around the world; but this time she appears in a new dress. The black coat of paint covering her hull has been removed and the new gleaming white all over.

VETERAN SKIPPER

The man who is taking her on this great cruise is Commodore Fritz Kruse, who has made 13 previous round-the-world cruises on this famous liner.

He is a veteran navigator and has several times distinguished himself in unforced circumstances on the high seas. It will be recalled that while in command of the transatlantic liner New York in December last year he directed the rescue of the 16 men aboard the disabled Norwegian freighter Sisto in a gale.

HONGKONG SINGERS' SUCCESS

Fine Rendition Of "Elijah"

Mendelssohn's exquisite oratorio, "Elijah," can still attract huge audiences, the whole world over, as was typified last night when St. John's Cathedral was practically filled to hear the Hongkong Singers render this work. In the hands of such a competent choir and sympathetic soloists the work lost none of its magnificence and beauty. Several of Mendelssohn's passages in this oratorio are the most emotional compositions in all of the many sacred cantatas. To obtain their full meaning and to reveal their profound musical demands a technique and quality of singing of the highest degree. This was provided by the Hongkong Singers who can regard this as their most successful public performance to date.

EXTRAORDINARILY SINCERE

The rendition was by no means perfect, but it was extraordinarily sincere. One felt the necessity for a little more verve among the sopranos both in the chorus work and in some of the solos. In an effort to give the fullest emphasis to the *piu mosso* phrases there was a tendency to be a little too restrained, thereby losing some of the wonderful harmonic effects of the composition.

Brief though it was, the finest work of the chorus was in "He that shall endure to the end shall be saved." The voice harmonies with glorious effect and the singing was outstandingly expressive.

The important solo work of Elijah was taken by the Rev. W. H. Bailes and it is not exaggerating to state that no other local baritone could have sung the difficult recitatives and airs with a greater depth of feeling. He captured the spirit of the composer in the scornful denunciation of the Priests of Baal, and he succeeded in expressing the complete hopelessness of the prophet in his prayer to God to take away his life. Apart from Mr. Bailes' moving expression, his voice was full of tonal quality and Hongkong will impatiently await further appearances in these sacred works.

"O REST IN THE LORD"

Mrs. F. T. Portallion sang her passages beautifully especially the "O Rest in the Lord" and much loved "O Rest in the Lord." The soprano solos were very effectively taken—by Mrs. D. Snowden-Jones and Mrs. J. Anderson-Miller, while Mr. J. A. Kennedy found the restrained type of music admirably suited to his voice.

The double quartettes were exceedingly well sung, noteworthy among them being the delicious "O Come everyone that thirsteth." These were handled by Mrs. Anderson-Miller, Mrs. E. St. G. Kirk, Miss B. M. Bicheno, Mrs. W. Sinclair, Mr. H. Annis, Mr. J. A. Kennedy, Rev. Cyril Brown, Capt. O. P. Jace and Mr. L. Peckham. Mr. Frederick Mason, A.R.C.O., was at the organ and Mr. J. Anderson-Miller, L.R.A.M., guided the chorus through the intricate movements with a baton full of sympathy and understanding. The large congregation joined in singing the hymn "Praise my soul the King of Heaven" before the start of the oratorio, and at the conclusion Bishop Hall offered prayer and gave the Blessing. A retiring collection was made on behalf of the Hongkong Benevolent Society.—S.A.G.

"WE FARMERS MUST HAVE TARIFFS"

(Continued from Page 6.)

necessity of implementing a tariff policy!

The supreme need of the home farmer is a general tariff on all agricultural produce, adjustable to meet currency changes and internal subsidies, with preferential rates for Dominion products, and foreign foodstuffs taxed to as high a level as may be necessary to keep them in the third place. I ask my city friends not to look upon this article as the view of a selfish farmer. This policy is definitely good business for the nation as a whole. Home agricultural working at full capacity could create at least \$300,000,000 of new wealth every year.

One case of Small-pox and two cases of Typhoid were reported to the local Health authorities on Wednesday.

His Excellency Sir William Peel will preside at the sixth and last meeting of the English Association, which will be held in the Helena May Institute at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 2. His Honour the Chief Justice, Mr. A. D. A. MacGregor, will speak on "The Function of Law in Society."

Hauptmann's Appeal Set

WILL BE HEARD IN LATE JUNE

Trenton, N.J., March 28. Bruno Hauptmann's appeal will be heard on June 20, according to an announcement made to-day.

Hauptmann, condemned to die in the electric chair for the murder of the infant son of Col. and Mrs. Charles Lindbergh, is still housed in the death cells here, within sight of the door of the execution chamber, through which he has seen a dozen condemned taken already during his incarceration.—*Reuter.*

B.B.C.'S NEW CHAIRMAN

LORD BRIDGEMAN APPOINTED

London, March 28.

The Prime Minister announced in the House of Commons that Viscount Bridgeman had been appointed Chairman of the British Broadcasting Corporation in place of Mr. J. H. Whitley, who died last month.

Lord Bridgeman has been a member of the Board of Governors of the Corporation since 1933. Mr. H. A. L. Fisher has now been appointed to the vacancy on the Board. Mr. Fisher is Warden of New College, Oxford. He was Minister of Education from 1916 to 1922.—*British Wireless.*

DELIGHTFUL CONCERT

TALENTED AMATEURS AT THE S. AND S.

To introduce good music into the lives of people with moderate means is one part of the Methodist Church's policy in building large central halls all over England. The fact that the sixpenny celebrity concerts in these halls are crowded every Saturday night in the winter belies the fallacy that first-class concerts are not popular.

The Sailors' and Soldiers' Home (known to the Services as "The S. and S."), built by the same Church for members of any or no denomination, pursues the same policy in its musical entertainments in Hongkong.

The programme of Mrs. E. Snowden-Jones' concert, held on Wednesday evening, illustrates the claim.

The concert opened with two quartets, "A Strange Adventure" and "A Woeful Song" by Mrs. Snowden-Jones, Mrs. N. Mathieson, Mr. H. G. Annis and Dr. L. T. Ride. Robert Herrick's "To Daffodils" (Donald Ford), with "A Piper" and "Ships of Arcady" (both Michael Head), and "Arrogant Poppies" (Armstrong Gibbs) were Mrs. Snowden-Jones' solos.

Mrs. Mathieson sang, "Go from my Window, Go" (arr. Arthur Somervell), "An Erikskay Love Lilt" (Hebridean), "Couscous" (P. J. O'Hara), "Still as the Night" (Bohm), "The Cherry Tree Doth Bloom" (Alma Gostley), and "Love's Philosophy" (Roger Quilter).

The same two artists then combined in the duets, "The Whirling of the Spinning Wheel" (Haydn) and "I know a Bank" (Martin Shaw).

Baritone solos by Dr. L. T. Ride were "The Kerry Dance" (Molloy), "Old Mother Hubbard" (Hely-Hutchinson), "Requiem" (Homer), and "Rolling down to Rio" (German).

Mr. H. G. Annis (tenor) sang "Thank God for a Garden" (Del Reigo), and "Pluck this Little Flower" (Landon Ronald).

Violin solos by Miss Ezekiel were "Rondino" (Beethoven-Kreiser), "Canzonette" (Sammatini-Corte), "Bourree" (Sammons), "Berceuse" (Faure), "Rigaudon" (Handel), and "From the Cane Brake" (S. Gardiner).

The concluding items were a trio, "A Man who would Woo a Maid" (Heater), and a quartet, "A Regular Royal Queen."

The accompanying was shared by Mrs. G. W. R. Griggs and Mr. Frederick Mason, A.R.C.O., L.R.C.L. It was a delightful concert, as was well attested by the keen appreciation of the audience.

The whist drive held on Monday in aid of the Shekling Leprosy Leprosy \$34.50. Another whist drive, for the same cause, is to be held on Monday, April 1, in St. Patrick's Hall, Garden Road, by the kindness of the Chaplain to the Missions to Seamen, the launch Dayspring will leave the Kowloon Police Pier at 8.15 p.m. to transport patrons of the drive to Hongkong and leave Blake Pier at 11.30 p.m. to take them back to Kowloon. The whist drive will commence at 9 p.m.

HOME-COMING OF PRINCE

DUKE OF GLOUCESTER HEARTILY CHEERED

London, Mar. 28.

H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester received a hearty welcome home to-day on returning from his long Empire tour.

H.M.A.S. Australia was escorted to Portsmouth by destroyers and flying boats, and all ships in harbour were dressed overall, while the Royal Salute was fired as the Australia proceeded through Spithead.

The Duke's two brothers, the Prince of Wales and the Duke of York, went aboard and were the first of many to greet him.

After a civic ceremony, the three brothers left in a Royal train and when it arrived at Victoria the King and Queen and many other members of the Royal Family, the Australia Premier, Mr. Lyons, and many Ministers were awaiting the Duke.

After greetings had been exchanged, Their Majesties returned by direct route to Buckingham Palace, while the Duke, accompanied by a captain's escort of the Life Guards, drove to the Palace by way of Victoria Street and the Horse Guards Parade at the Mall; in order that the waiting crowds could give him a welcome. He was cordially cheered all the way.—*British Wireless.*

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LATEST SHARE QUOTATIONS

The following quotations on the London Stock Exchange have been received by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz in conjunction with *Reuter.*

Mar. 27, Mar. 28.

War Loan 1914-15 105 1/2 105 1/2

Chinese Bonds

100% Bonds 1908 100 1/2 100 1/2

(Eng. Ins.) 100 1/2 100 1/2

4 1/2% Loan 1908 99 1/2 99 1/2

5% Loan 1912 88 1/2 88 1/2

5% Recorp. Loan 96 1/2 96 1/2

100% (Lan. Ins.) 96 1/2 96 1/2

5% Bonds 1925-27 96 1/2 96 1/2

5% Shai-Nanking 81 1/2 81 1/2

5% Tient-Pukow 81 1/2 81 1/2

5% Tient-Pukow 33 1/2 33 1/2

5% Tient-Pukow (Supl. Loan) 28 1/2 28 1/2

5% Shai-Nanking 101 1/2 101 1/2

5% Nippon Ry. 31 1/2 31 1/2

5% Honan Ry. 31 1/2 31 1/2

5% Kiangsu Ry. 44 1/2 44 1/2

5% Lung Tsing U. 18 1/2 18 1/2

5% Hail Ry. 18 1/2 18 1/2

Foreign Bonds and Banks

German 7 1/2 Int. 78 1/2 78 1/2

Japan 5% Sterling 70 1/2 70 1/2

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H.K. & Shai Bank 125 1/2 125 1/2

Chartered Bank 25 1/2 25 1/2

Commercial and Industrial

Allied Iron Foundry 36 1/2 36 1/2

Associated Elec. Industries 24 1/2 24 1/2

Austin Motors ord. 44 1/2 44 1/2

Bois 5% sh. 47 1/2 47 1/2

British-American Tobacco 111 1/2 111 1/2

Canadian Colanese Chinese Eng. and Min. (Beaver) 17 1/2 17 1/2

Continental 49 1/2 49 1/2

Distillers 80 1/2 80 1/2

Dunlop Rubber 48 1/2 48 1/2

Electric Musical Industries 28 1/2 28 1/2

General Electric (Engd) 47 1/2 47 1/2

Impl. Chem. Ind. 36 1/2 36 1/2

Def. 10% sh. 9 1/2 9 1/2

Impl. Tobacco 131 1/2 131 1/2

Internat. Nickel no par val. 24 1/2 24 1/2

Bols. Roy. 21 1/2 21 1/2

Sh. Elec. Constr. 47 1/2 47 1/2

Tate & Lyle 99 1/2 99 1/2

Turner & Newall 52 1/2 52 1/2

United Steel 25 1/4 25 1/4

Watney, Combe & Reid. def. ord. 66 1/2 66 1/2

Woolworths 51 1/2 51 1/2

Miscellaneous

Anglo-Dutch 21 1/2 21 1/2

Charid. 15 1/2 15 1/2

(Heater) 21 1/2 21 1/2

Guld. Kalumpung 21 1/2 21 1/2

Pekin Synd. 21 1/2 21 1/2

ord. sh. 1 1/2 1 1/2

Rubber Trusts 30 1/2 30 1/2

Southern Railway (Deferred) 22 1/2 22 1/2

Mines

Burma Corp. 29 1/2 29 1/2

Chosen Corp. 25 1/2 25 1/2

Crown Mines 28 1/2 28 1/2

R. and F. 57 1/2 57 1/2

Estates 57 1/2 57 1/2

Spring Mines 102 1/2 102 1/2

Sub-Nigel 28 1/2 28 1/2

Rhodesia Corp. 97 1/2 97 1/2

Oils

Anglo-Persian 48 1/2 48 1/2

Burma Oil 78 1/2 78 1/2

Shell Transport and Trade (Beaver) 48 1/2 48 1/2

RADIO BROADCAST

Relay of Grand National From Daventry

STUDIO CONCERT

From ZBW on a wavelength of 365 metres (845 kilocycles):

4.7 p.m. Chinese Programme.

7 p.m. Stock Quotations.

7.03-8.15 p.m. Programme of records kindly loaned by a listener.

Songs—My old Kentucky home. Songs—Ol' Man River ("Showboat"). Paul Robeson (Bass).

Orchestra—Morgenblatter—Waltz (J. Strauss).

Orchestra—Blue Danube—Waltz (J. Strauss).

Humorous—They're always together. Humorous—The Vegetable Blues.

Orchestra—Noel Coward Medley. Humorous—The Pensioner.

William McCulloch. Fox Trot—Out of nowhere.

Fox Trot—Thank you most sincerely. Humorous—A little miss.

Humorous—Three little words. Fox Trot—Laughing Marionette.

Fox Trot—Rag Doll. 8 p.m. Time and Weather Report.

8.03-8.15 p.m. Talk on "Flower Day for the Society for the Protection of Children" by Mr. G. P. de Martin.

8.15-8.30 p.m. Harry Roy's Tiger Ragamuffins.

1. St. Louis Blues; Some of these days.

2. Nobody's Sweetheart.

3. Sweet sue just you; Heebies-Jeebies; I wonder where my baby is to-night.

4. Fox Trot Medley.

8.30-9 p.m. Relay from Daventry. The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra directed by Henry Hall.

9-9.45 p.m. From the Studio. Mrs. R. Sanger—Soprano. Madame H. Arnold—Cello.

Mrs. G. W. Griggs—Pianoforte.

Programme.

1. Songs: Richard Strauss. Dream in the Twilight. Crown of my heart.

Serenade. Mrs. R. Sanger.

2. Sonata in A Minor. Caix d'Hercule (1670-12).

(a) Prelude. (b) Gavotte. (c) Capiloun. (d) Minuet.

Madame H. Arnold and Mrs. G. W. Griggs.

3. Songs: The Star. Rogers. April. Rogers.

Birthday Song. Huntingdon. Mrs. R. Sanger.

9.45 p.m. Press-Bulletins, Stock Quotations.

9.50-10.20 p.m. The entire musical numbers from "He Wanted Adventure" with Bobby Howes, Judy Gunn, Marie Burke, Raymond Newell, Wylie Watson, Theatre Chorus and Orchestra.

10.20-10.30 p.m. A Venetian Barcarole—Serenade (arr. Wigglesby).

The J. H. Squire Celeste Octet.

10.30 p.m. Reuter Press Bulletins, Rugby 21-day Press News, Further London Stock and Commodity Quotations.

10.35 p.m. Relay from Daventry. 10.45 p.m. The Grand National. A Running Commentary by R. C. Lyle and W. Hobbles, relayed from Aintree, near Liverpool.

11.30 p.m. (Approx.). Close Down.

ZEESEN PROGRAMMES

This Evening's Broadcast From The German Short-Wavers

Special programmes for Far Eastern listeners will be broadcast from Zeesen as follows:

SOUTH ASIA ZONE

South Asia Zone, broadcast from DJB (10.71 metres) and DJN (81.45 metres).

4.45 p.m. D.B. DJN Announcement (German, English, German, French, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish, Italian, Dutch, Japanese, Chinese, Hindi, Urdu, Bengali, Malay, Tamil, Telugu, Sinhalese, Burmese, Thai, Vietnamese, Indonesian, Javanese, Balinese, Tagalog, Filipino, Ilocano, Cebuano, Hiligaynon, Ilonggo, Maranao, Maguindanao, Pangasinan, Pampanga, Negros, Samar, Mindanao, Luzon, Philippines, Celebes, Sumatra, Java, Borneo, Malaya, Penang, Singapore, Hongkong, Canton, Shanghai, Hankow, Peking, Tientsin, Harbin, Manchuria, Korea, Japan, Formosa, Taiwan, Korea, Japan, Formosa, Taiwan, Korea, Japan

HONGKONG'S OFFICIAL RANKING LIST FOR 1934

LEE WAI TONG AS MENTOR

Gives Fincher Lesson In Tennis Courtcraft

WINS BRILLIANTLY IN CHAMPIONSHIP

(By "Veritas")

Lee Wai-tong touched peak form to dispose of Teddy Fincher in the third round of the open singles championship on the stand court yesterday. There was nothing fluky about Lee's win obtained in straight sets with the loss of four games. He not only outpointed the K. C. C. champion but gave him a lesson in tactical tennis and court-craft.

Critics do not like to admit being surprised, but I must confess I was genuinely astonished at Lee's highly polished display. He didn't play Fincher on Fincher's reputation, but on his merits, and it cannot be said that Teddy's merits were particularly prominent.

I was vividly reminded of Fincher's match last year with Tam Yoc-fong, when the Hanoi youngster walked round his experienced opponent and lured him into committing the most atrocious blunders.

Lee did the same thing yesterday. Varied pace and direction skillfully disguised had Fincher tied up in knots and forced him into last minute shots which generally found the net or cleared the baselines.

WHY FINCHER PLAYED BADLY

That Fincher was several degrees below normal form can be made as a statement of fact; but the reason for this was chiefly Lee Wai-tong, who took such a firm grip on the game from the start that he was able to dictate terms throughout. Fincher's errors and his generally undistinguished play were reactions, not so much to his own temperament, as to Lee's brilliant tactics.

It is doubtful whether Lee Wai-tong has ever before played quite so well, and his performance was all the more meritorious in that conditions were far from pleasant. The light was shocking and the court, although playing quite true, was soft and unyielding.

One could not discern a single weakness in Lee's stroke equipment. His shots were produced without effort and his anticipation so keen that he always appeared to have plenty of time in which to make the strokes.

He supported good length cut drives on both hands with some perfectly placed drop shots both off the ground and on the volley. His volleying, in fact, was the biggest surprise. He obtained a wonderful angle on most of the shots and tucked away Fincher's drives down the lines with the greatest of ease. His strong top spin service was a big asset for it continually forced Fincher out of the court and permitted Lee to take the net for a winning coup on the volley.

TACTIC ADMISSION OF DEFEAT

On such form Lee is going to be a very worthy opponent for S. A. Rumjahn and their quarter-final match should offer some high-spot tennis. Before the first set had finished Fincher had tacitly admitted Lee's superiority by his own

casual efforts. He was quite unable to anticipate Lee's short shots, and being continually out-positioned had the effect of demoralising Fincher's strokes. For instance his service apart from the second game of the first set was unusually ineffective and off the ground he mistimed so persistently that he put a succession of balls outside of the court.

Further evidence of Fincher's loss of confidence was to be seen in his net work. He made mistakes which rarely appear in his game and when he did clear the net he could not get the ball away, but found Lee returning the shots with interest.

It was Fincher at his unhappy. Unexpectedly easy successes were also gained in the two other third round matches played on outside courts.

RICKETTS WINS IN CANTER

G.R.M. Ricketts had Y. W. Lee, a promising player at his mercy right through and won it in a canter 6-0, 6-1. Lee tried to force the game by railing the net, but he timed his advances very badly and Ricketts' net passing shots beat the C.R.C. player every time.

Ricketts had so much in hand in this match that it was difficult to tell exactly how strong he is at the moment, but it certainly looks as though he is going to figure in the semi-final again this year.

Well—as Leonard played against Liang yesterday, I doubt if he will be able to withstand the more consistent and faster Ricketts.

Leonard won with ridiculous ease against Liang. The Chinese did practically nothing else but net the ball, his ground strokes completely deserting him. Nevertheless it is to Leonard's credit that he played his best game of the tournament to date. He found he could beat Liang quite well from the baseline, his driving on both hands being strong and wonderfully accurate. The play never reached dazzling heights but Leonard certainly came out with full honours and it would be foolish to deny his chances of making the semi-final.

Full scores of the three matches were:

OPEN SINGLES

Third Round
Lee Wai-tong beat E. C. Fincher 6-1, 6-3
G.R.M. Ricketts beat Y. W. Lee 6-0, 6-1
J. W. Leonard beat S. W. Liang 6-1, 6-1.



Tsui Wai-pui and Tam Yoc-fong ranked No. 1 and No. 2 respectively in the official L.T.A. ranking list issued to-day.

H. E. TO ATTEND TENNIS

EXHIBITION AT H.K.C.C.

Japanese Players Arrive

His Excellency the Governor (Sir William Peel) has announced his intention of being present at to-day's exhibition tennis on the stand court of the Hongkong Cricket Club, when the two Japanese Davis Cup players, Hideo Nishimura and Jiro Yamagishi will appear.

The visitors arrived by the N.Y.K. Haruna Maru at daylight this morning. Both are feeling very fit and are eagerly anticipating to-day's game. They have expressed their willingness to play according to the schedule mapped out by the Lawn Tennis Association which is as follows:

At 4.15, Yamagishi and E. C. Fincher v. Nishimura and Tsui

L.T.A. ANNUAL MEETING

POSTPONED UNTIL NEXT THURSDAY.

It is announced by the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association that owing to unforeseen circumstances it is now impossible to hold the Annual Meeting of the Association on Tuesday next as arranged.

The meeting will now take place in the Sports Club, King's Building, on Thursday next, April 4, at 5.30 p.m. when the President (Mr. Justice Lindell) will be in the chair.

Wai-pui (one set), followed by Yamagishi v. Nishimura (two sets), and

Yamagishi and Nishimura v. S.A. and H.D. Rumjahn (best of three sets).

There are still a certain number of reserved seats which can be booked before 3 o'clock to-day. The booking plan is at Messrs. Moutrie, and seats are \$1 including tax.

Manila, Mar. 28.
Senor Regino, Secretary of the Philippine Amateur Athletic Federation and Senor Ylanan, Treasurer, called by the Cordillera for Hongkong, Shanghai and Japan, to arrange various international competitions on behalf of Filipino Teams.—United Press.

LEADING POSITIONS CHANGE HANDS

MRS. KAYLL AND TSUI WAI PUI

HEAD THE LISTS

(By "Veritas")

The official ranking lists of the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association issued to-day finds two new names at the head of the men's and women's rankings.

Tsui Wai-pui by virtue of winning the singles title of the Colony last year tops the men's list and Mrs. Kayll, present ladies' champion is given No. 1 position.

Several new names appear in both lists, while quite a number of players ranked last year have moved up in the new ranked lists.

In the ladies, Miss R. Hancock, ranked fifth a year ago now earns a second place, while Miss Madge Griffiths, 1934 runner-up in the singles championship advances from No. 7 to joint No. 3 with Mrs. Chiu Chun-chiu.

Mrs. Litton, Mrs. Tottenham, Mrs. Lewis, a Bryan and Miss Olive Dalziel do not appear in the current list, but Miss Alison Mackenzie, the K.C.C. player is given No. 6 position. Both Mrs. Litton and Mrs. Wilson appear under the heading of "Insufficient Data."

Tsui Wai-pui and Tam Yoc-fong, having last year contested the final of the open singles naturally occupy the first and second position respectively. Tam deserves his promotion from No. 10 to No. 2 by reason of his performances in the open championships, when he beat in turn E. C. Fincher, Lai Kwong-tsun and Ho Ka-lau.



Ho Ka-lau, another local ranking player who figures prominently in the current list.

Lai Kwong-tsun the Canton champion finds a place at No. 5 with Ho Ka-lau on the strength of his defeat of S. A. Rumjahn in the open championship, while G.R.M. Ricketts also figures in the current list at No. 8.

W.A.H. Duff unfortunately had to leave the Colony before the conclusion of the championship and his name appears under "Insufficient Data."

This year's official ranking lists are appended, the figures in brackets indicating their rankings last year.

MEN

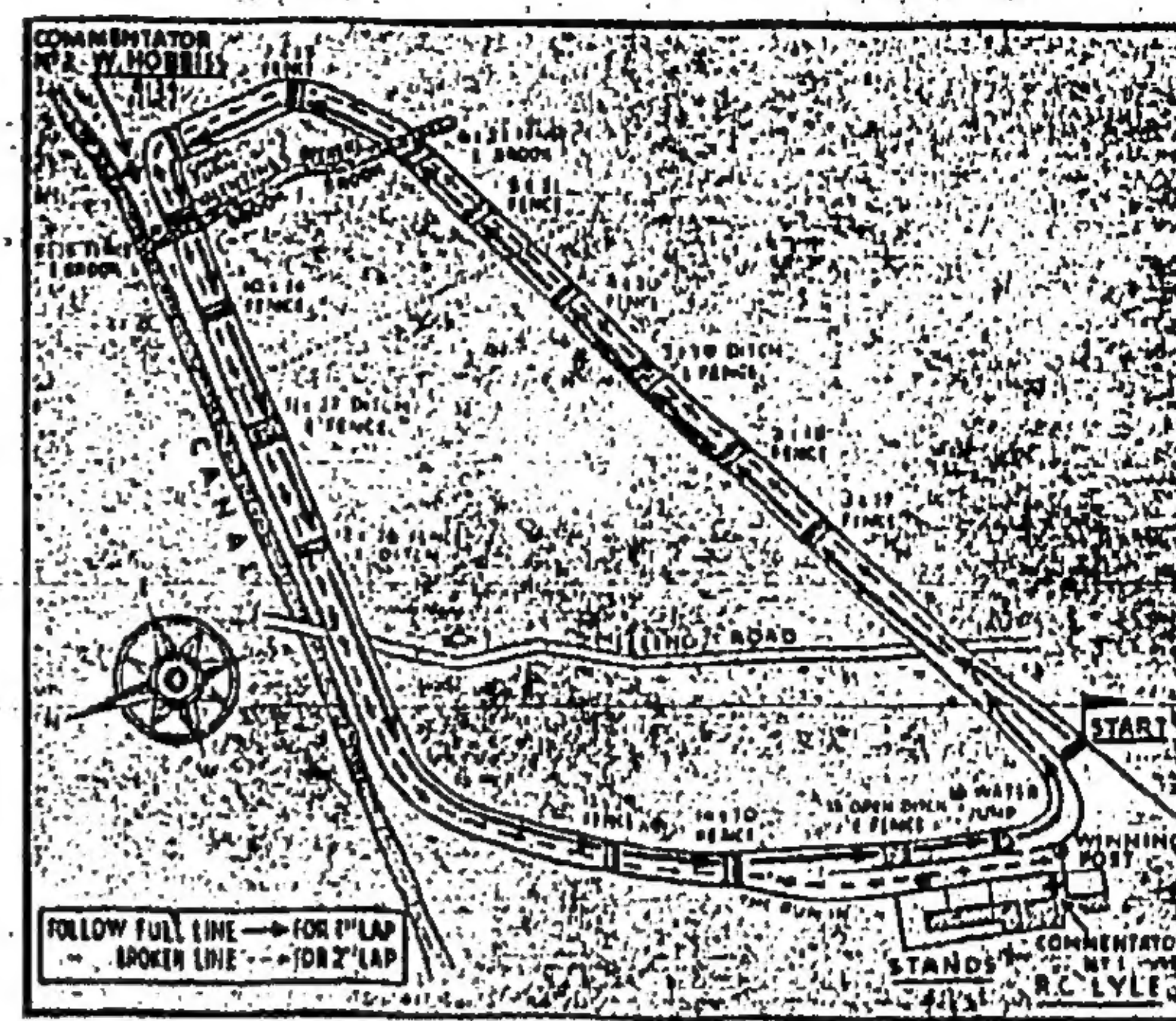
1. Tsui Wai-pui (2)
2. Tam Yoc-fong (10)
3. S. A. Rumjahn (1)
4. H. D. Rumjahn (3)
5. Ho Ka-lau (3)
6. Lai Kwong-tsun (—)
7. E. C. Fincher (4)
8. G.R.M. Ricketts (—)
9. M. W. Lo (6)
10. L. Goldman (11)
11. W. C. Hung (9)
12. J. W. Leonard (—)
13. Y. Hachima (13)
14. Tsui Yun-pui (—)
15. A.E.P. Guest (13)

INSUFFICIENT DATA
W.H.A. DUFF
LADIES
1. Mrs. Kayll (—)



Mrs. Kayll

PLAN OF GRAND NATIONAL COURSE



This is a plan of the course at Aintree near Liverpool, where the Grand National will be run to-day.

Twelfth-Hour National Probable

POWELL TO RIDE SOUTHERN HUE

London, March 28.
A twelfth-hour alteration in the probable starters and jockeys for the Grand National was announced to-day. Powell is expected to ride Southern Hue.

FINAL ACCEPTORS

London, March 28.
Final acceptors, and jockeys, for the Grand National to-morrow, were announced to-day as follows:
Golden Miller (Wilson)
Thomond II (Speck)
Royal Ransom (Hamey)
Reynoldstown (Mr. Furlong)
Southern Hue (Fawcett)
Brienz (Kidney)
Really True (Morgan)
Bachelor Prince (O'Grady)
Castle Irwell (Mr. Bostwick)
Allybrack (Mr. Tweedie)
Alexander (Capt. Payne-Gallwey)
Blue Prince (Parrin)
Bravo Cry (Mr. Lewis)
Emanzipator (Mr. Cozart)
Fouquet (Brown)
Hutcheloa (Mr. Marsh)
Jimmy James (Nicholson)
Lazy Boots (Owen)
Master Grange (Mr. Midday)
Princess My (Mr. Jackson)
Red Park (Fitzgerald)
Slater (Maxwell)
Southern Hue (McKeever)
Tapinois (Gurney)
Trocadero (Gullman)
Therese (Cary)
Uncle But (Lance).

—Reuter.

TWO, AND YOU'VE CROSSED THE LINE

—REFEREE

"Aye, & He's Double-Crossed Me!"

—REECE

London, Feb. 26.
Tom Newman and Tom Reece began their heat in the sealed handicap tournament at Thurston's yesterday, and an interesting match it should be.

Reece has the idea that he is in the running for the Gold Cup, and he may not be far wrong, for it is certain that he has been given a lavish start.

As the two players were about to start for break Reece remarked to Newman: "I suppose you are a hot favourite—but, after all, Colombo lost the Derby." To which Newman retorted: "Yes, but my name is not Colombo. They won't say 'the favourite is beaten' this week."

Owing to the illness of Charles Chambers the duties of controlling the match have been taken over by Arthur Gaudrill, the one-armed referee.

Arthur has a habit of saying, when a player conforms to the baulk-line rule—crossing the baulk-line once in every 200 paces—"You have crossed the line, sir." Tom Reece kept on crossing the line every few minutes, and at last he said: "If I keep on crossing the line like this I'll soon be in Australia."

A little later Reece set up a clever safety move, but Newman broke through with a brilliant shot. "Two!" called Gaudrill, "and you have crossed the line, sir."

"Aye, and he's double-crossed me," said Reece.

Newman was so tickled that he could not concentrate and broke down at once.

2. Miss R. Hancock (5)
3. Miss M. Griffiths (7)
4. Mrs. Chiu Chun-chiu (4)
5. Mrs. Grimble (4)
6. Miss A. Mackenzie (—)

INSUFFICIENT DATA
Mrs. Litton
Mrs. Wilson

HOME FOOTBALL

BOTTOM OF LEAGUE

WOODEN-SPOON FOR SPURS?

AMAZING DEFEAT BY LEICESTER

London, Mar. 28.
Tottenham Hotspur suffered an extraordinary thrashing in a first division league match when they visited Leicester who were languishing at the bottom of the table and were beaten by six goals to nil.

As a result the Spurs take over the wooden-spoon position, Leicester climbing one position on the strength of a better goal-average. At the same time Leicester can draw further away as they have a game in hand of the Spurs.

This was Tottenham's 18th of the season and so far they have scored but 25 points from 35 matches and have conceded 78 goals.

The London team have only seven more games in which to pull themselves from the relegation zone.

The present records of the last half a dozen teams in the first division read:

Goals

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Portsmouth	34	11	8	15	67	60	30
Wolves	34	11	7	16	69	75	29
Middlesbrough	34	12	14	8	70	73	28
Birmingham	33	11	6	16	45	65	28
Leicester	34	10	5	19	48	72	25
Tottenham	35	8	9	18	43	78	25

SIR S. JACKSON TO RETIRE

P. F. Warner, Chief Of Selectors?

It is understood that there will be a change in the chairmanship of the Cricket Selection Committee this year. Last year Sir Stanley Jackson was chairman, but it is unlikely that he will continue during the com-

LINCOLNS TO PLAY SOUTH CHINA

RE-ARRANGED FIXTURE FOR SUNDAY

Mr. Manning Rallison, hon. secretary Hongkong Football Association this morning announced that an additional first division match will be played on Sunday, the Lincoln v. South China "A" game, originally arranged for April 21 having been brought back.

The game will be played at Soekunpo, kick-off at 4.30.

There is also an alteration in the venue for one of the third division matches on Sunday. The R.E. v. R.A.F. encounter will now be played at Chatham Road.

ing season. Several names have been mentioned, but it is thought that when the Board of Control meet this month to choose the 1935 committee Mr. P. F. Warner will be elected.

Informed the Federation about the matches owing to pressure of time, but he would do so at the earliest possible moment. With regard to Kho's participation he only presumed that Kho would be glad to get some practice from the Nipponese racket-wielders.

Interviewed at the Federation office by a representative of The Shanghai Sunday Times, Mr. William Z. L. Sung, general honorary secretary, said:

"The Federation greatly objects to Cheng and Kho playing against the Japanese Davis Cup representatives in exhibition matches. I have not been notified as to the arrangement. This afternoon before I came here, I received a telephone call from Guy Cheng that Mr. Gordon Lum had fixed a match for him (Cheng) on Monday."

"Kho is on his way to Shanghai," continued the C.N.A.F. spokesman, "and apparently Mr. Lum has not obtained the consent of him (Kho). It is all irregular."

When seen by The Shanghai Times Gordon Lum stated that he had not

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FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES IN THE WAY

Champions v. The Rest Comment; The Resuscitation Of C.S.S.C.

(By R. Abbit)

There was, alas, no cricket on Saturday last, but the one bright spot about it is that it has given me a bit of space to hark back to the week before to several points which I had wished to mention but which were crowded out by lack of space.

In the first place, I think that the side selected to play for the Rest against the H.K.C.C. was a very sound one, always remembering that there were a couple of League matches on.

I have an idea that Richardson was asked but could not get off as he was skipping the C.S.C.C. in any case, on his firm this year. I doubt if he was worth his place. He has been thoroughly out of luck, and also off form.

We have not yet seen the best of him as a batsman, but when the time comes, (if it ever does), that the C.S.C.C. have a batting side and Richardson does not feel that the whole thing rests on his shoulders I fancy he will rise to much greater heights of success.

Of course, Garthwaite would have been in the Rest side but for his League game.

Presumably Bonavia and Ballard were also non-releasable men as either of them had a better claim than Walsh, dangerous but though the latter is at times.

I confess I should have liked to see Tinker Lee in the side—he may have been asked for all I know—but I don't see how he could have got in unless Madar, who was away most of the season, had stood down for him.

SIGNS OF HOPE

It was interesting to turn out once again for the Civil Service, for whom I played my first match in the first eleven in 1915. Until this season I had played pretty regularly and twenty years is a long time. I mention this in passing, not as a record in any way, for T. E. Pearce and G. H. Sayer, who started before I did, are still going strong and many other local cricketers have played over much longer periods. But nineteen seasons is quite a long time, especially if you played Rugby before you started cricket, and it is lack of new blood from which the Civil Service has suffered.

Until only a season or two ago E. B. Reed, E. J. Rone, B. D. Evans and A. E. Wood had been turning out year after year, and, in spite of the meaning of the word, a "hardy perennial" cannot bloom on season after season for ever. And, unfortunately, there has been a sad lack of good youngsters to follow on.

NEW "PROMISES"

But there are now distinct hopes for the future. R. M. Wood has come on very much as a wicket-keeper and has started to make runs quickly, when he gets going. McEldan will be a great addition to the bowling strength, while he and R. H. Griffiths will do much to stiffen the batting.

The fielding has much improved and I am quite hopeful about the next season. But it would not come amiss if several members of the side read a bit of cricket. I personally don't know any better chapter on the Art of Fielding than that in Hanley's "Julius Book of Cricket."

SUNDAY'S LEAGUE GAME

The I. R. C. came back to their pristine form when they defeated the R.A.M.C. on Sunday last in a Junior Division League Match. Y. G. Arculli and A. M. Rumjahn put on well over a hundred runs for the fourth wicket and were still undefeated. The declaration at 107 was a sound one and reaped the reward it deserved. The Medicals were out for a hundred and thirty, though Howells (57) Bonavia (28) and Saunders (25) made gallant efforts to save the game. Two run-out tragedies occurred, and probably had a decisive effect on the result of the game.

SIR JULIEN CAHN

The recent visit of Sir Julien Cahn to the Colony was very interesting.

A very wealthy man, Sir Julien runs his own cricket team which could give a very good game to most of the first class counties, other than those in the first flight. Robins, Peebles, and many other well known Varsity and first rank Club cricketers get a chance to play.

The talk of his coming here is most interesting but one cannot possibly consider the question seriously until one knows upon what financial basis the matter rests. Judging from a letter which I have seen in a sporting contemporary, I cannot help thinking that the public have a totally erroneous idea of the expense involved in the visit even of a team who pay their own passages, and are merely entertained in the Colony.

I think I am right in saying that, in spite of the fact that practically all the visitors are put up by private individuals here, the expenses of a triangular interport series of games amounts to between two and three thousand.

Moreover, owing to various circumstances, there is no possibility of covering a large amount of expenditure by the profits of gate-money. It is possible to charge for admission to the stands only on the H.K.C.C. ground, and I am pretty sure that there is a negligible balance left when the cost of erection has been paid for.

In these hard times the question of finance must be considered most carefully, and in many cases those who have given most generously in the past, have been most heavily hit by the depression. It must be remembered too that in all probability there will be an Interport here in November next for which we shall have to make provision. But everyone hopes that some sort of an arrangement may be reached.

THE NOTTS CLUB

Talking of Sir Julien naturally reminds me of the rumour in the Nottingham Cricket Club. I do not propose to enter into the question of whether Voe was or was not justified in bowling as he did. But I read all accounts very carefully and what really seems to have got the people's goat was the attempt of the committee to deceive everyone. Had they had the interior to say that they thought Voe was bowling at the man and stood him down accordingly, their action, though unpopular, would have merited the respect due to decision and honesty.

But to try and fob people off with the yarn that Voe was crooked, and to fail to get away with it—for Voe promptly denied it—was just asking for trouble. And they got it. It precipitated a first class row, and the Committee were, more or less, sacked. However, it seems that a lot of the influential people in the County have identified themselves with the old Committee—chiefly I think because they approved of their attitude towards Voe, yet not of their methods of showing it! Anyway, it seems the opposition have receded from their attitude for the sake of peace, and that a compromise will be reached. In the mean time, I have not seen any cables of protest about Wyatt's broken jaw. He, at least, is not a feather-bed cricketer.

THE WEST INDIES TOUR

And that again reminds me, several people have commented to me on the fact that our team has lost the rubber in the West Indies. It is in no way a soul-shattering occurrence. The team was known to be fairly weak, and one of the great objects was to give some of the younger players experience of big-match cricket. The West Indies have some amazing cricketers. I fancy that Headley, Constantine and Martindale have such ability that would qualify them for a place in either an English or an Australian representative Test team.

were it merely a question of skill. At the same time, I do think that English cricket is not very good at present. I don't mean that there is anything to howl about. If one looks back for a great number of years it is clear that the standard of cricket in all countries over those years is represented by a series of upward and downward curves, and not by a horizontal line. So in the lower curve there is no reason to be depressed, any more than there is to be cheery when on the crest of the curve.

TO-MORROW'S GAMES

The game is still wiggling here. Cricketers are at home to the L.R.C. in their belated Senior League match. I fancy Pereira, Minu and Madar will be a bit too good for the Valley side but I would not invest more than ten cents on it.

The other game if there are fully representative sides out—should be most interesting, as Kowloon are at home to H.K.C.C. in a two-day game. In the circumstances it is lucky the Kwantung meeting is off, and I suggest a vote of thanks to whatever gallant member of the Garrison hit that mule.

In the Junior Division Police play R.A.M.C. in the League. In not sure if the C.C.C. and L.R.C. reverse game is on or not. Reverso should play the sappers, but I hear this latter side has withdrawn from the League. C.S.C.C. are at home to Queen's College. I also assume the H.K.C.C. II game vs. R.E. on 31st is off. In my notes next Friday, I hope to outline arrangements for publishing Club records. I have written to the various Secretaries and have to thank the Army for a most prompt reply.

WEEK-END FOOTBALL

Lai Wah Cup Competition Match To-morrow

The Lai Wah Cup Competition match is the chief attraction in local football for the week-end. To-morrow the Army and the Civilian meet on the Kowloon Football Club Ground at 4 p.m.

The full list fixtures for the week-end follows:

TO-MORROW

Lai Wah Cup

Army v. Civilian (Kowloon Football Club Ground), 4 p.m. Referee: C. J. Malton; Lineamen, P. Archer and A. Ward.

Second Division

South China v. Club (Caroline Hill Ground), 3 p.m. Referee: E. G. Inley. East Lancashire v. Navy (Sookun-poo Ground), 3 p.m. Referee: W. C. Thwaites.

Royal Artillery v. Royal Engineers (Military Ground, Happy Valley), 3 p.m. Referee: E. E. Handall. Lincoln v. University (Military Ground, Happy Valley), 4.30 p.m. Referee: G. Shobbrook.

Eastern v. Chinese Athletic (Athletic Ground), 4.30 p.m. Referee: W. Brierley.

Third Division

Police v. Royal Welch Fusiliers (Railway Ground), 3 p.m. Referee: G. V. Gomes. Railway R. C. v. Royal Engineers (Railway Ground), 4.30 p.m. Referee: H. R. London.

SUNDAY

First Division

Royal Welch Fusiliers v. Navy (Navy Ground, Causeway Bay), 4.30 p.m. Referee: J. H. Lawrence.

Third Division

Lincoln v. Royal Welch Fusiliers (Sookun-poo) 3 p.m. Referee: N. McPherson. East Lancashire v. R. A. O. C. (Navy Ground), 3 p.m. Referee: A.



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LAST WEEK'S RACES REVIEWED

SEVERAL UPSETS BUT SOME VERY ENTERTAINING SPORT

(By "Captain Foster")

In spite of the inclement weather, the races at Happy Valley last Saturday afternoon were well patronized, and the prizes in the Cash Sweep well maintained.

Naturally with the course in a heavy state, upsets were many, but, contrary to expectations, no sensational dividend in the "Pari" was paid out, the highest being \$60.50 on the ever-green Boxing Eve in the Taiwan Bay Handicap.

The first upset of the afternoon occurred in the opening race, the Commonwealth Handicap, in which Monoplane (Mr. Y. T. Fung) won easily from Jungle Jim (Mr. L. Ang) and The Tiger (Mr. Frost).

In spite of repeated failures Double Chance (Mr. P. P. Botelho) was made favourite for the Union Plate and confidence in him was not misplaced. He won comfortably by two lengths from The Deemster (Mr. Butler) with High Principle (Mr. Roza) a length further away. Another favourite, King's Jubilee (Mr. Frost) won the Hongkong Bay Handicap by beating Ribble (Mr. Pili) after a very good race by a length and a half. Rose-Queen (Mr. P. P. Botelho) finished third.

SECOND UPSET

The second upset took place in the Roschill Handicap, Snowy River (Mr. Pih) literally ran away with the race and finished most impressively. Woodland Stag (Mr. Frost) was four lengths in the rear to occupy second place, with Mutiny Bay (Mr. Davis) half a length further away. Alacrity was a non-starter.

Propitious Time (Mr. Neugebauer) cleverly won the Dominion Handicap from Invermark (Mr. Pih) and The Chetah (Mr. Frost). This was the second best race seen during the afternoon and the issue was in doubt until about ten yards from the winning post. Sci-Fa ran most prominently and, in my opinion, would have won had he kept a straight course, instead of boring out and finishing under the Judge's box.

The Colonial Stakes also produced a thrilling finish. Flirt (Mr. Frost) getting the verdict by a short head from Ythan (Mr. Pih), Soldier of Victory (Mr. Dietz) finished third.

Another fine effort on the part of Mr. Frost on Pontiac Bay saw him win the Empire Handicap by a short head from High

Honour (Mr. Roza). Gold Coin (Mr. Dietz) secured the third place, two lengths away.

PICK OF THE DAY

Undoubtedly the best finish of the afternoon was seen in the Mire Bay Stakes. The field consisted of six ponies and we saw an exciting race over the last two furlongs. Helman (Mr. Butler) appeared to be a spent force at the mile post and King's Fancy (Mr. Frost) seemed to have the race won when, about fifty yards from the winning post, Soldier of China (Mr. Dietz) ranged alongside her. These two then fought, under great pressure, for the lead. Bright View (Mr. Davis)—travelling very fast—then loomed in the picture, with barely twenty yards to go. These three ponies swept past the post almost in a line and no one but the Judge could say which pony had won. The official verdict was Bright View.

The meeting concluded with the Taiwan Bay Handicap, and this race also produced a close finish. Boxing Eve (Mr. K. W. Fung) just beat Great Hall (Mr. Cheape) by a short head for the first place with partnership (Mr. W. H. Choy) three lengths further away.

BI-ANNUAL RACE NEXT MONTH

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It is requested that all entries be delivered to the Honorary Secretary of the Club by noon on the day of the race and that all boats be at the starting point at Channel Rocks by 3.30 p.m. that day. Copies of the rules and regulations and a plan of the course will be sent to any company on request.

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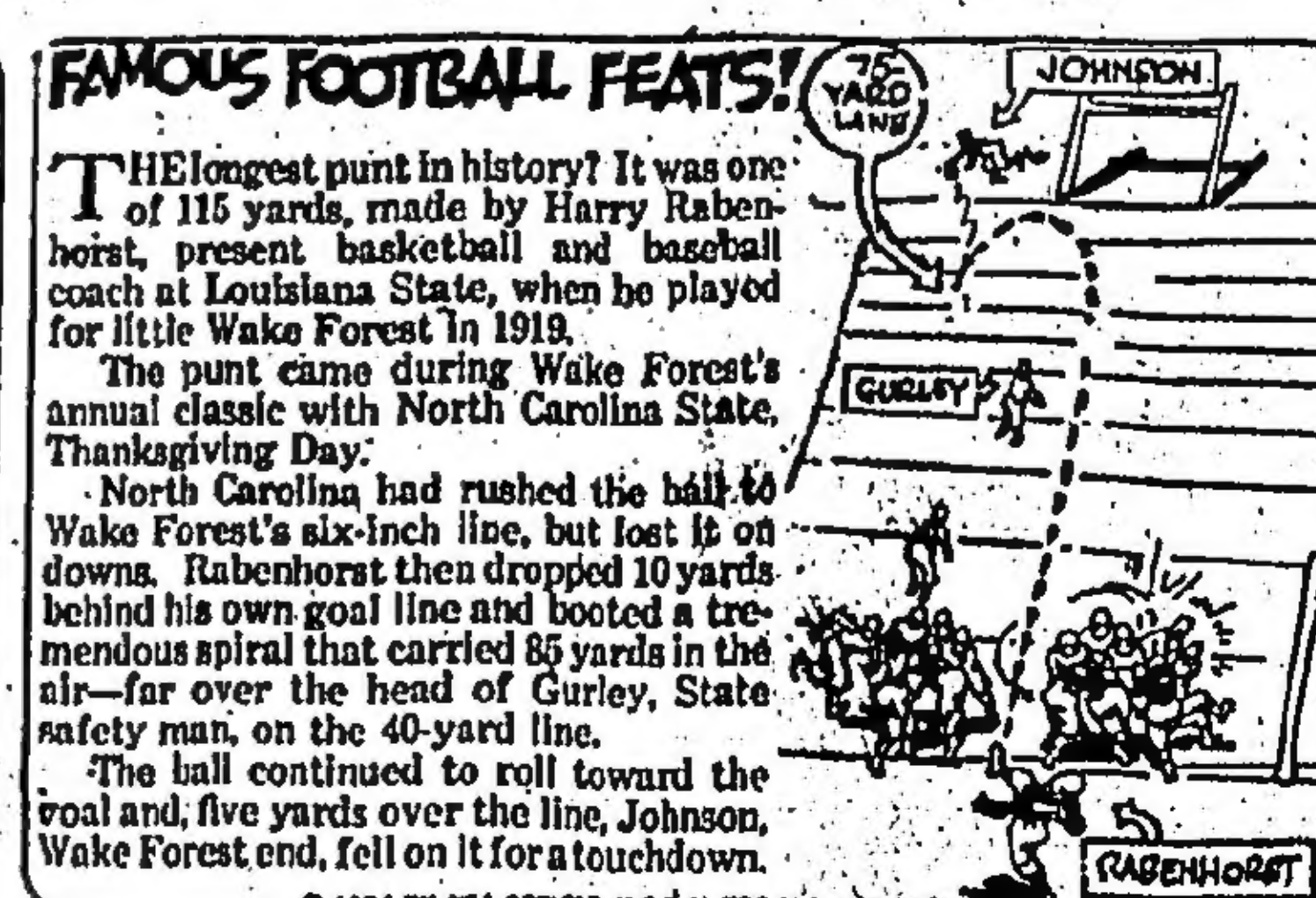
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SERIAL STORY—

SILKEN SPINDLES

by Laura Lu Brookman

CHAPTER XXVIII

The crowd shuffled out of the movie theatre, stopping to look at posters announcing next week's show; girls peering to catch a glimpse of themselves in the narrow mirror panels at either side of the entrance, to powder noses and dab on rouge, chattering and laughing; young men who spoke in deeper tones, pausing to light cigarettes and jam hats on firmly. There were older people and some children—a nondescript crowd, the usual patrons of the Strand where pictures were exhibited which, six or eight weeks earlier, had been shown in the larger theatres in the more brightly lighted section of the town.

Steve Meyers looked down on Gale as they stepped out on the sidewalk. "Wasn't such a bad picture, was it?" he asked.

"Oh, I liked it. That girl who was 'Kathy' is a new star, isn't she? I've never seen her before. And didn't she look beautiful?"

The words broke off. A couple—a small girl in a bright red hat and rather dowdy fur coat and a tall youth—had just halted before the glass cage where tickets were sold. Gale heard the girl laugh and turning recognized Ruby Griffith before she saw it was Phil beside her. A moment later the two disappeared into the theatre.

Steve asked, "What was that you were saying?"

"About the picture? Oh, I don't know—it doesn't matter anyhow. That was Phil with Ruby Griffith. Did you see them?"

"Yes."

"They walked in silence for a few moments. Then Steve said, 'I wish you wouldn't worry the way you do about Phil.'"

"How can I help it? You see the sort of company he seems to prefer—Ruby Griffith and her crowd. You know what they're like. And he comes home at all hours of the night and morning. It's only within the last six months or so that he's been like this."

"Worrying isn't going to do any good."

"No, I don't suppose it will. But what can I do, Steve?"

"Leave him alone. Phil's smart enough to take care of himself. The trouble is you're used to looking out for him. You still think of him as a little boy."

"But he's only 19—"

"That's not so young. It would be a lot better for Phil if you'd give him a chance to stand on his own feet. You do too much for him."

"Maybe you're right."

"Of course I am! You want to do too much for everyone, Gale. You're always forgetting about yourself, trying to do something for someone else."

"But I'm not! I don't do half the things I should."

"I wish you'd let me do them for you."

"Steve—"

"Oh, I'm not going to say any more. I promised I wouldn't and I'll keep that promise. You said you couldn't marry anyone now. But there's one thing I want to ask you. When you were away at school—well, you must have known lots of other fellows. Is there anyone else, Gale?"

"You mean—"

"Is there anyone else you're in love with?"

Gale was glad she did not have to meet his eyes. She knew exactly how those blue eyes looked. She turned away, surprised that her heart was beating so rapidly. She wished it wouldn't. Steve was waiting for her to answer and there was only one answer to give. You certainly couldn't count a man you'd met only three or four times and then purely by accident, even though he had said, "I like you, Gale, Henderson. I like you a lot." You couldn't count a man you were never going to see again—

Gale said, "There's no one else, Steve. No one."

He put a hand on her arm, drew her close. His voice had an edge of huskiness. "Then I can go on hoping," he said. "Oh, Gale, if you only knew how I feel about you—"

"You promised," she reminded him. "Yes, I know. I promised."

He began talking about something that had happened at the mill. Five minutes later they had reached Gale's home.

"You'll come in, won't you?" she asked.

"Not to-night. Going to be home to-morrow evening?"

"I think so."

"Then I'll drop around."

They said good night and Gale went inside the house. Her father was in the kitchen, fumbling about an open cupboard.

"Hello," he said. "Thought I'd like a little something hot to drink. Is there some tea here somewhere?"

"In that square box," Gale told him. "But sit down—I'll make it for you."

She filled the kettle and put it over the fire to boil, got out cups and saucers and a loaf of bread.

"Where's Steve?" her father asked.

Her father watched as Gale cut the bread and placed it on a plate, set out butter and a bottle of milk. "You and Steve haven't been having any arguments, have you?" he asked.

Tom Henderson studied his daughter's face. She was certainly thinner than she had been. He did not say anything more until the tea was made and Gale had poured out two cups and sat down before one of them. Then he said, "I've been thinking about you this evening, Gale. I wish you didn't have to work the way you do."

"Nonsense!"

"It isn't nonsense. It's too much for you, doing all you do at home and working at the mill besides."

"Father, what in the world put such ideas in your head?"

"My own eyes have done it—seeing you look so tired when night comes and growing thinner. I can't help worrying about you, Gale. You ought to be married and settled in your own home. When your mother was your age—"

"But things are different now!"

"I know. But that doesn't make them any better. I've lived my life and none of these days I'm going to be gone."

"Father, please—"

"It's better to face things calmly, Gale—better to talk about them. I'm not afraid of dying. A man couldn't be who lives as I do, a burden to the ones he loves. No, I'm glad to die, but I wish I could know you were going to be happy and safe. I don't worry about Phil; he's a boy and he can take care of himself. You think you can, too, but there's more to life than you realize, I think."

"Special delivery," he said, "for Miss Gale Henderson. Sign here, please." He held a pencil and pen toward her.

(To Be Continued.)

don't like to leave you with no one to look out for you."

Gale had risen from her chair and slipped an arm around his shoulders. "Don't, father!" she begged. "I can't bear to hear you say such things. You aren't going to leave us—not for a long, long time."

He smiled. "Perhaps not. Still, I'd feel more comfortable to know things were going to be all right for you. I'd rather hoped that you and Steve—"

He raised his eyes, letting them finish the question.

"Steve's been an awfully good friend," Gale said. "I'm fond of him. But I don't want to marry anyone, father. Not now. Not for years."

"Well, if it isn't to be Steve I hope it will be someone as worthy. Steve's made of the right stuff. He's a fine young man, Gale."

"I know that. Steve's all you say he is—and more." She did not go on, but stared silently at the floor.

Her father covered her hand with his, pressed it. "Well, we won't talk about it any more to-night," he said. "It's late anyhow. Time to be in bed."

Gale rinsed the cups and wiped them, set the bread and butter away. "He thinks I should marry Steve," she told herself. "He wants me to marry him."

She was sober-faced as she put out the kitchen light and went to her bedroom, sober-faced as she stood before her mirror, brushing her hair.

This mood continued throughout the following morning. It was Sunday and the Hendersons ate dinner at 1 o'clock. By 20 minutes past two when Gale had finished putting the last dish back into the cupboard, had wiped her hands and hung away her apron there was a knock on the front door.

Gale hurried to open it. A young man wearing a brown windbreaker jacket and corduroy trousers stood before her. His cap was pulled down over his eyes.

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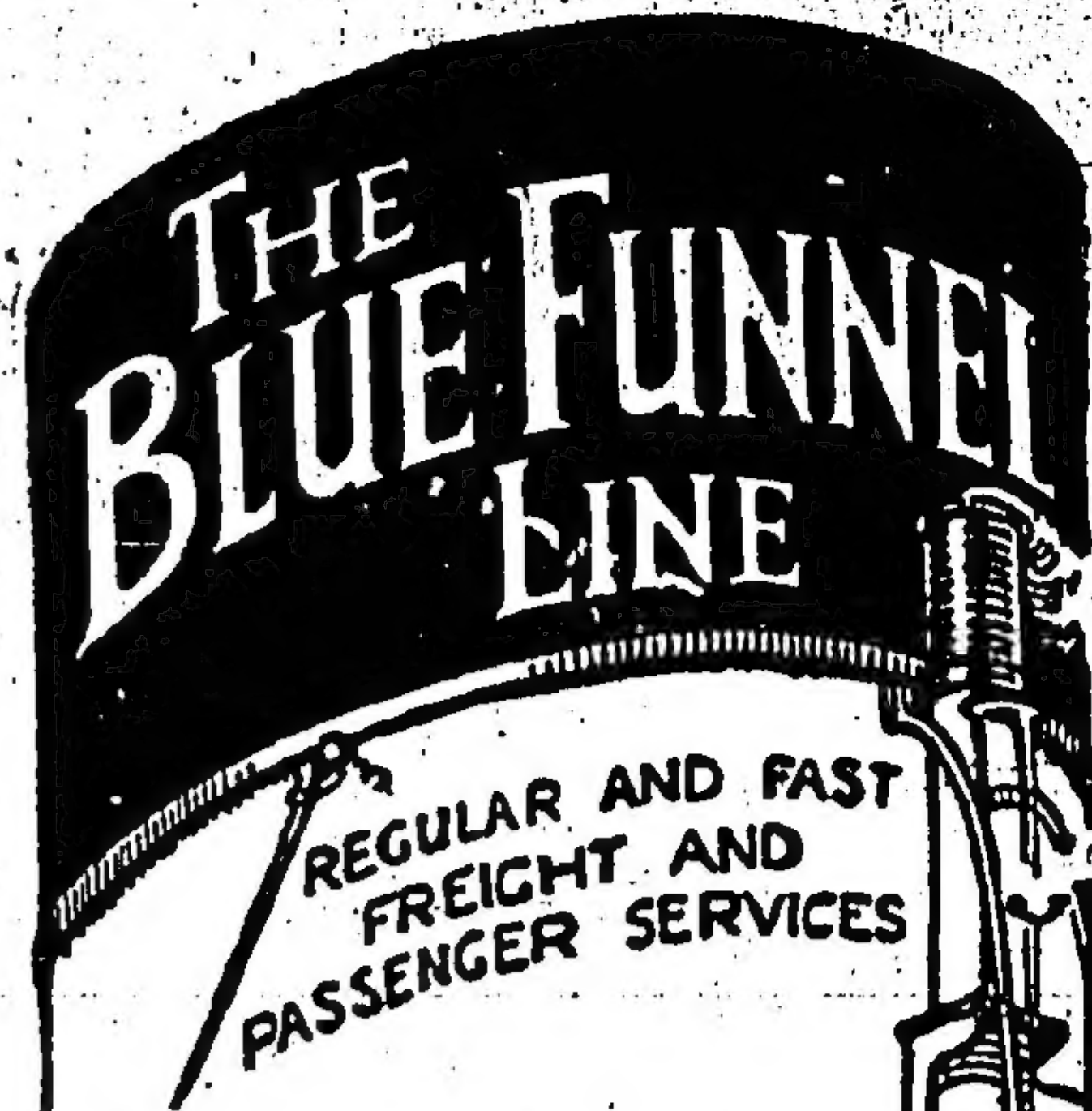


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Mr. Mar Sze-tang and organised
by the Chinese Company of the
Hongkong Police Reserve at the
King's Theatre last night. The
concert was held to raise funds for
the Chinese Police Reserve.

His Excellency and Lady Peel,
accompanied by Captain R. F. Wal-
ter, were met on arrival at the
theatre by the Hon. Mr. S. W. Tso,
the Hon. Mr. Hurlingham, acting
Inspector General of Police and
members of the Finance Committee
of the Police Reserve (Chinese
Company).

The Notable Guests

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Mr. T. O. Tso and many others.

An Excellent Show

The Chinese performance, en-
titled "The Bewitching Queen",
which is a Chinese adaptation of
the recently shown picture,
"Cleopatra", was cleverly presented

NEW SHIP FOR CHINA NAVIGATION CO.

LOCAL DOCKYARD
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YESTERDAY

A new vessel for the China Naviga-
tion Company was launched at the
Tatoo Dockyard yesterday.
The vessel which was christened
Wallin, is for service on the Yangtze
River and is of 2,500 tons, gross; her
dimensions being 200 ft. long, 50 ft.
wide, and 10 ft. 6 ins. moulded to
the main deck.

The twin screw vessel has two com-
plete decks, with long promenade and
boat decks, five water-tight bulk-
heads, double bottom under machin-
ery, and three large cargo holds and
cargo 'tween decks.

Accommodation has been provided
for saloon class passengers on the
ship in double and single berth cabins
on the promenade deck. There is
also a large dining room and smoke
room. Cabin class and steerage
passengers will be carried on the
upper deck.

The handling of cargo will be by
means of steel derricks capable of
dealing with weights up to 15 tons,
and the winches operating the derrick
will be electrically driven.

The steering gear is also driven
by electricity and controlled from the
bridge by telemotor. An electric
windlass has been fitted forward for
operating the anchors and cables.

There are also a number of large
old storage rooms on the vessel,
Messrs. J. and E. Hall supplying the
cooling machinery.

The propelling machinery consists
of two sets of Sulzer diesel motors
of a total h.p. of 1,500.

The vessel was built by the Tatoo
Dockyard and Engineering Co. of
Hongkong, Ltd., at their yards.

and heartily applauded. Chief
honours were shared by Mr. Mar
Sze-tang and Miss Tam Lan-ling,
the two principals who dominated
the show with their clever acting
and singing. The musical accom-
paniments and scenery also contrib-
uted to the success of the concert.

The Chinese Company of the
Hongkong Police Reserve was
formed in 1927, being the first unit
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EULOGISTIC REFERENCE AT
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Eulogistic references to the
invaluable work done by the Hon.
Mr. G. S. Mackie during his
life in Hongkong were made by
His Excellency the Governor, Sir
William Peel, at yesterday's meet-
ing of the Legislative Council.

Addressing the Council at the
conclusion of the business His
Excellency said: I had thought
we would have Mr. Mackie with us
for one more meeting. I under-
stand, however, that this is the
last occasion on which he will
sit with us on this Council, and
I take this opportunity therefore
to say how very much we regret
his parting from us. Mr. Mackie
has been associated with China
and Hongkong for a number of
years and has been associated
with most of the important under-
takings in this Colony, including
many important companies, among
them being the outstanding public
utility companies. He has also
been a member of this Council for
something like six years and has
sat on the Executive Council for
various periods totalling some-
thing like two and a half years,
and his services on this Council
have been of immense value to
the Government. His sane, solid
and shrewd outlook and know-
ledge of business and other mat-
ters have been invaluable, and his
departure from this Colony will
involve a very serious loss. I
trust, however, and feel confident
that though he proposes to live
far from us he will still retain
great interest in Hongkong affairs
and will always be ready to help
us in any way possible.

On behalf of the Government,
of which I am head, I thank him
sincerely for all the advice and
assistance he has given us, and
wishing him personally I thank
him for his friendship and
great help he has always been to
me. On behalf of this Council I
wish him great happiness in his
retirement.

Hon. Mr. Mackie: Thank you
very much Sir, for your kind
remarks.

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ANGLO-RUSSIAN PEACE PLAN

LITVINOFF WARNS OF WAR THREAT

KING GEORGE TOASTED BY SOVIET LEADER

Moscow, March 28.

A toast to His Majesty King George was proposed by M. Maxim Litvinoff, the Russian Commissar for Foreign Affairs, at the end of an important speech on Soviet foreign policy at a reception given for the British Lord Privy Seal, Mr. Anthony Eden, to-night.

This was the first occasion on which a royal toast has been proposed by a Soviet Minister in Russia.

M. Litvinoff declared that the friendliest Anglo-Russian relations were essential for the preservation of peace.

Referring to the arising of "the serious and alarming impediments to the preservation of normal and peaceful international order," he said the consoling feature of the situation was the overwhelming majority of States which at present were profoundly anxious for the preservation of peace.

There might be a few exceptions, M. Litvinoff admitted, but the danger spots were at least limited and clearly defined. This, however, did not imply that the dangers were localised. Nobody could foretell, he said, which state would be the first or the most greatly affected by this danger.

RESPONSIBILITY OF ALL

If one state were threatened, M. Litvinoff argued, and there was real danger of war, all other states ought to consider themselves threatened. For it was now universally realised that the danger of war hung over Europe. It could only be averted, he declared, or its risk reduced to the utmost extent possible, by the collective efforts of all the states, and especially the great Powers.

M. Litvinoff believed, he said, that Anglo-Russian co-operation was decisively important in the cause of peace, and Mr. Eden's visit was not merely the beginning of such co-operation, but a pledge of its continuance.

TREMENDOUS TEST

The coming months, and perhaps the next few weeks, would show whether the statesmen of Europe were capable of organising for peace, and whether the plans for the collective work outlined at the London conversations on February 3 would be carried to their wise and logical consequences.

In any event, M. Litvinoff asserted, he was convinced that the frank interchange of opinion between Mr. Eden and M. Litvinoff's colleagues would be a fruitful contribution to this work.

PURELY EXPLORATORY

Replying, Mr. Eden emphasised that his visit was purely exploratory. But it marked a notable and, he hoped, a hopeful landmark in Anglo-Russian relations.

The British Government's foreign policy, said Mr. Eden, was based upon the League of Nations, and Britain recognised that it was a great gain when Russia took her place at Geneva's council table.

Peace was also a prime object of the United Kingdom and he was confident it must also be the foreign policy of the Soviet and all other great nations, as long as their main purpose was the advancing the prosperity of their people.

Referring to the coming meeting of the representatives of the nations at Stresa, Italy, Mr. Eden said it would be their task on that occasion, as it was his and M. Litvinoff's to-day, to seek to find a way out of the difficulties which beset Europe: a way which would be just and honourable to all nations and yet consistent with those principles of collective security in which they all believed.—*Reuter.*

TO MEET M. STALIN

The Lord Privy Seal, Mr. Anthony Eden, who reached Moscow this afternoon, had a conversation lasting over two hours with Monsieur Litvinoff. The matters

EXPLAINS GERMAN OUTLOOK

DR. LUTHER SEES MR. HULL

LAVAL TO GO TO MOSCOW

(Special to "Telegraph")

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Washington, March 28. Dr. Hans Luther, the German Ambassador to Washington, one of Germany's most notable diplomats, to-day conferred with Mr. Cordell Hull, the United States Secretary of State, for half an hour.

It is understood that Dr. Luther furnished the American Minister with a verbal resume of the European developments from the German point of view.—*United Press.*

LAVAL FOR MOSCOW

Paris, March 28. The French Foreign Minister, M. Laval, will visit Moscow, on April 20, it was announced to-day.

M. Laval will probably attend the conference of the former Allies in Italy, which will be called when Mr. Anthony Eden returns from Moscow and has reported to London. At this gathering it is expected that Britain, France and Italy, and any other nations which will formulate a common policy in respect to the clauses of the Treaty of Versailles which Germany has unilaterally denounced.

M. Laval's visit has been anticipated and it is believed in some quarters, to preface a completion of a Franco-Russian understanding. He will remain in Moscow for ten days.—*United Press.*

discussed related to the subjects mentioned in the Anglo-French communiqué of February 3, and to the visit which Mr. Eden paid with Sir John Simon to Berlin.

The conversation is stated to have been conducted in a very friendly and cordial atmosphere. It will be resumed to-morrow morning and in the afternoon Mr. Eden will meet M. Stalin.

It is understood this will be the first occasion on which M. Stalin will have discussed international relations with a representative of a foreign Government, such matters hitherto having been exclusively in the hands of M. Litvinoff.

The Soviet authorities have given ample evidence of their desire to do Mr. Eden honour. When he arrived this morning, the Alexandrovsky terminus was lavishly decorated with British flags, and crowds of people watched him drive away from the station.—*British Wireless.*

LITHUANIA ANSWERS GERMANY

FIERCELY RESENTS CRITICISM

TUMULTUOUS STUDENTS

(Special to "Telegraph")

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Kovno, March 28. Lithuanians to-day are angered by Germany's criticism of the action of a Lithuanian court in sentencing to death the leaders of the pro-German conspirators here, who murdered one of the men who exposed their plot to seize Memel in the name of the Fatherland.

There were tumultuous scenes in the streets, crowds shouting defiance to the German nation, just as Germans in all parts of their country cried for vengeance against Lithuania yesterday. Professor Vladimir Stankevich, chief defence counsel for the German conspirators, was prevented from holding his regular lecture at the University here owing to the tumultuous demonstrations of Nationalist students.—*United Press.*

GERMANY TO ACT

Berlin, March 28. In response to the nation's anger at the Kovno sentences against the Nazi plotters, it is learned that the Government is planning early action in an attempt to halt the executions of the four condemned.

The German Government will also demand a "new deal" for the German population of Memel, it is believed.—*United Press.*

POLAND'S NEW GOVERNMENT

FOLLOWS GERMAN EXAMPLE

(Special to "Telegraph")

Warsaw, March 28. Colonel Waleron Slawek, the non-party Union leader and former Prime Minister, and who enjoys the fullest support and confidence of Marshal Pilsudski, the dictator of Poland, to-day formed a new Cabinet.

He explained that the Government had resigned for the purpose of reorganising under the revised constitution which virtually abolishes Parliamentary government.

The new system is modelled on the lines of the German constitution.—*United Press.*

CANT ATTEND JUBILEE

DE VALERA REPLIES TO INVITATION

London, Mar. 29.

Mr. De Valera, the Irish Free State chief executive, informed the Daily to-day that he had been officially invited to attend the King's Jubilee celebrations, but that he had informed Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, the British Prime Minister, that it was not possible for him to be present in the existing circumstances.

He added that the Free State High Commissioner would attend on behalf of his Government.—*Reuter.*

NO EXHIBITION TENNIS

Owing to the inclement weather, the exhibition tennis matches in which the Japanese, Davis Cup players, Nishimura and Yamagishi, were to appear at the H.K.C. this afternoon, have been cancelled.



Mr. Anthony Eden, Lord Privy Seal, who has engaged in cordial conversations in Moscow with M. Litvinoff, the Soviet Foreign Commissar.

American Girl Shoots H.K. Chinese

CAMPUS MYSTERY IN OKLAHOMA

THREATENING NOTES

(Special to "Telegraph")

(By Telegraph, Copyright, Telegraphic Message Ordinance, 1934. Received, March 29, 1 a.m.)

Tahlequah, Okla., Mar. 28. Lois Thompson, a nineteen-year-old girl, to-day shot and seriously wounded Daniel Shaw, a Chinese, who came here from Hongkong in 1931.

The shooting occurred on the campus of the North-Eastern State Teachers' College where both the girl and Shaw are students.

The girl refused to explain the incident, and the Chinese is not able to talk. Charges have not been filed pending the outcome of the affair.

The authorities state that a gang recently sent Miss Thompson several notes threatening death unless she paid to them \$1,000, but there is no evidence that Shaw was involved in this plot of extortion.

A witness, say the police, declares the girl asked Shaw if he had sent her the notes, and then drew a gun and fired at point blank range. Shaw fled, but the girl pursued him and fired several times.—*United Press.*

Rabies Found In Mule

NO GRAZING IN KOWLOON

A case of rabies in a mule having occurred in the Colony, and the Governor-in-Council considering that an occasion of public danger exists, the following regulations have been made:

1. Except with the written permission of the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon all movement of equines from the New Territories to any other part of the Colony is prohibited.
2. No equine in Kowloon or the New Territories (including New Kowloon) shall be turned out to graze.
3. Any equine in Kowloon or the New Territories (including New Kowloon) now turned out to graze shall be brought into stables there forthwith.

SOONG TO HEAD BANK OF CHINA?

APPOINTMENT VERY PROBABLE

CONFIDENCE 'SHAKEN'

(Special to "Telegraph")

Shanghai, March 29.

From semi-official sources it is reported that Mr. T. V. Soong will become Governor of the Bank of China if the present General Manager, Mr. Chang Kiang-nu, accepts an appointment as second deputy Governor of the Central Bank of China.

This appointment is said to have followed the general shake-up following the Government's acquisition of control of the Bank of China and the Bank of Communications through the \$100,000,000 bond issue.

The bond issue is also considered very important in connection with reports that some form of monetary reform is being planned.—*United Press.*

SHANGHAI MARKET

Shanghai, March 29. To-day being a holiday for the Gold Bar Exchange foreign exchange rates are nominal. The opening rates were 37.15/16 for U.S. Dollars and 1/6 15/16 for sterling.

Many observers anticipate that the turning point has been reached and an easier market is expected.

Through apparently shaking confidence the new bank set-up is mainly responsible for the foreign exchange market weakness at mid-morning. There are buyers of exchange at 37 1/8 and 1/6 3/8, but there are virtually no sellers.

The Foreign Market closed before noon owing to Chinese banks selling exchange. As soon as this selling was reported the entire market turned. The U.S. dollar, after touching 37, dropped to 37 3/4.—*United Press.*

MANCHUKUO BARGAINS

NO TRADE WITHOUT RECOGNITION

(Special to "Telegraph")

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London, Mar. 28. The Foreign Office having received the Japanese note with respect to the Manchukuo oil monopoly, it is understood that Great Britain rejects the Japanese argument entirely.

It is stated in reliable sources that the note's assertion that the promise of maintaining the Open Door does not apply to those failing to recognise Manchukuo will not affect Britain's disinclination to grant such recognition.—*United Press.*

MASS MARRIAGE IN SHANGHAI

MAYOR WU WILL OFFICIATE

Shanghai, Mar. 29.

The first mass marriage, in which fifty-six couples will participate, will be solemnized on April 3 in the City Government Building of the Civic Centre at Kiangwan.

Mayor Wu Teh-chien and Mr. Wu Hsin-ya, Foreign Affairs Commissioner, will officiate.—*Reuter.*

A fine of \$40, or three weeks' hard labour, was imposed on a young woman, Yu Luk-10, when she pleaded guilty before Mr. Macfadyen in the Central Police Court this morning to the possession of 121 no pin lottery tickets at Stanley Street near Pottinger Street. A man, Fung Fong, 33, was arrested for the possession of 25 no pin tickets failed to appear and his bail of \$50 was exonerated.

GOLD FLOWS TO AMERICA

CONTINENT FEARS FINANCE CRISIS

BELGIUM MAY LINK UP WITH STERLING

Paris, March 28.

Eighteen million sterling in gold has been shipped from London to Paris by the British Control Fund in order to cover forward purchases of sterling made when the pound was at 71. The British authorities at that time did not have sufficient francs available.

It is stressed that these shipments are independent of all other gold movements.

Paris, however, is losing gold to New York, as commercial purchases of dollars are increasing with the Gold Bloc crisis.

The situation is believed to hinge upon the ability of Holland and Switzerland to continue shipping gold to meet the withdrawals of foreign funds. Curtailment or suspension of shipments by Holland or Switzerland may compel the French authorities to take measures to stem the outflow of gold from France.

It is believed that recent political developments on the Continent may have lessened the willingness of the French authorities to lose larger quantities of gold.

It is rumoured that M. Van Zeeland, Belgium's Prime Minister, may propose devaluation of the Belgian franc to one one-hundred-and-thirtieth part of a pound sterling, establishing a fixed relationship of 20 Belgas to the pound, thus implying a 28 per cent. depreciation. Thereafter, it is thought that a four per cent. Belgian loan may be floated in London for conversions of Belgium's internal public debt.

France, it will be recalled, recently promised to endeavour to assist Belgium with a big loan, but found it impossible so to do. It is believed in some quarters that Belgium has thus been literally driven into a union with the pound.—*Reuter.*

EXCHANGES CLOSED

Brussels, March 28. All Belgian Stock Exchanges are to be closed until Monday, April 1, apparently in connection with the forthcoming Ministerial declaration or other possible developments regarding the status of the Belgas.

It is understood that the bourses are to be closed in order to prevent speculation and to allow the Government time to take whatever financial measures it considers necessary to cope with the Belgas situation.

It is generally expected that some form of official declaration will be made to-morrow for the devaluation of the Belgas.

There was considerable excitement here to-day when at 10.15 a.m. the order was given for closing the bourses. Official circles, however, emphasised that this procedure was adopted simply to prevent speculation and not due to any fears of panic.

At present there are no signs of panic in any part of the country.—*United Press.*

REACTION IN LONDON

London, March 28. On the various exchanges here to-day Belgian prices were displaying a marked upward tendency. Considerable withdrawals of Belgian accounts have been noted from the most popular banks and savings banks.—*United Press.*

BELGIAN PANIC

Brussels, Mar. 28. Monetary fright has suddenly spread throughout the country. Possessors of cash are frantically buying real property, including houses, jewels, clothing and other tangible objects as a protection against devaluation; losses. The stores everywhere are crowded with purchasers.

Political groups met to-day and decided to pass a vote of confidence in the new cabinet to-morrow if the Cabinet will first explain its exact intentions.

However, it is expected that the Ministerial declaration will refer (Continued on Previous Column.)

PACIFIC PATH- FINDERS

GROUND-WORK OF AIR ROUTE

WORK STARTS IN ISLANDS

(Special to "Telegraph")

Acapulco, Mexico, Mar. 28.

The Pan-American Airways' giant Orient Clipper, the plane designed and tested for the trans-Pacific mail and passenger service, hopped off from this point early this morning for San Diego and San Francisco, having arrived yesterday from its operating base in Florida.

The steamer North Haven, meanwhile, has sailed from San Francisco carrying 118 men who will establish landing fields at Wake and Midway Islands.

This crew plans to spend at least three months at the islands in the Hawaiian group which will be used as mid-ocean bases for the trans-Pacific planes.

The North Haven's party includes forty-four technical experts, headed by the Associate Operations manager of Pan-American Airways, Mr. William Groesch, a prominent aerial engineer.—*United Press.*

SAFE AT SAN DIEGO

San Diego, Mar. 28. The Orient Clipper landed here at 5 p.m. from Mexico.—*United Press.*

SECOND CHILD IN SIX-MONTH

STRANGE CASE OF SHANGHAI MOTHER.

(Special to "Telegraph")

Shanghai, March 29.

Mrs. Ku Teh-fou, the wife of a poultry keeper at the old North Gate, yesterday gave birth to a son—her second child within six months.

Mr. and Mrs. Hu announced the birth of a daughter in October, and they have won local fame through this phenomenon.—*United Press.*

only generally, to currency plans, asking for special power to be given to the Government for six months, to act without the consent of the Chamber of Deputies, and also for Parliament to remain in session until the Government's programme is accepted or rejected.—*United Press.*

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FURTHER PLANS FOR JUBILEE

LONDON, A CITY OF FLOWERS

London. The Royal Stand at Ascot is being transformed. It will be a fitting mark by Royal Ascot of the Royal Jubilee. The portion of the stand which faces the course, a familiar object to racegoers, is being left practically unaltered. Almost the whole of the rest of the stand, with the Royal luncheon room and the King's and Queen's retiring rooms, has been pulled down. It is being rebuilt with massive iron girders filled in with red brickwork. The main entrance, on the south side, where the coaches used to be, is being reconstructed. In place of the hitherto somewhat unpretentious elevation there is being built a striking facade with great blocks of Portland stone.

Another Ascot development this year will be the bringing into use of the new car park. The Ascot authorities have purchased the estate in the High-street known as the Grange, which Lord Londsdale used to take for race week. The mansion has been pulled down and progress made with the conversion of the site into a car park to accommodate 600 or 6000 cars. It will be available in June. Another undertaking which the authorities now have in hand is the provision of a great reservoir, partly underground, which will hold 5,000,000 gallons. It will be filled as far as possible by natural drainage from Ascot Heath, the deficit being made up from company's water. This will be provided a "stand-by" supply for watering the course should there be a repetition of last year's drought with its restrictions.

THE JUBILEE

From £3 to £50 is being paid for seats on the route of the King and Queen's drive from Buckingham Palace to St. Paul's Cathedral for the Silver Jubilee thanksgiving service on May 6. Although it is over 10 weeks before the drive will take place, applications for seats are already being made in large numbers. The ticket agencies are negotiating almost daily with owners of buildings on the route to secure additional space. The higher priced seats are in St. Paul's Churchyard, where spectators will see the procession arrive and leave.

The Board of Education has announced that the King has expressed a desire that all schools should share in the Jubilee celebrations. The King wishes the particular form in which this should be done to be left to the discretion of the responsible school authorities.

CITY OF FLOWERS

A campaign to make London a city of flowers grown and tended by her citizens has been promoted by the London Gardens Society. The Society has enlisted the help of tens of thousands of school children. The Society carries on its work largely in areas associated with docks, wharves, warehouses and factories. "Gardens" there are window boxes or a few plant pots. Missionaries are now going forth giving advice and hints to dwellers in crowded areas on growing simple flowers to add a note of colour to the pageantry of the King's Jubilee, and to make happier those who "pass by your window".

In South London 30,000 school children are growing bulbs for exhibition in March. There is to be a special display at the Royal Horticultural Hall of flowers grown by children. One day in June trains carrying workers to the City will be a "sight". Every amateur gardener in London is expected to wear a buttonhole of home grown flowers.

Twelve episodes are being rehearsed for the Jubilee Pageant and Tattoo in the moat of the

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CORNISH ROLY-POLY

AN oven recipe this time. Chop about ½ lb. beef with two slices bacon. Add to it two par-boiled potatoes, chopped, a small cooked onion, also chopped a salt-spoonful allspice, a teaspoonful pepper, and ½ teaspoonful salt. Moisten with two tablespoonfuls gravy or stock. Make a paste with 6 oz. flour, 3 ozs. butter or margarine, ½ teaspoonful baking powder, and a little water. Roll out to about ½ inch thickness, arrange the meat mixture on it, roll up, wetting the edges to make them stick together, and bake in a good oven from 30-40 minutes.

Serve with a little good gravy, handed separately. If preferred, this dish may be eaten cold, in which case it should be cut in neat slices and garnished with salad.

Tower in London. They include all the ingredients of a first class pageant—spectacle, thrills, music, laughter, and a few tears. One of the most colourful scenes will be the return of Henry V. from Agincourt. Music and dancing and a place in May Day reveals of the time of Elizabeth and there is good fun in the cricket match of 1739.

The King held a Council at Buckingham Palace recently at which he formally approved the Proclamation appointing May 6, the anniversary of his accession, as a Bank Holiday. His Majesty also picked the list of new County Sheriffs for 1935.

The railways of Britain are being mobilised to their fullest capacity to give special travel facilities during the King's Jubilee celebrations. An official of the Railway Companies' Association told the Evening Standard. "We are preparing to co-operate with nearly all the events which are being planned. In this country the cheap fare programmes which were introduced in January are to be supplemented by liberal programmes of special trains at excursion fares. Through our overseas offices in Paris, Rome, New York and elsewhere, our agencies are linking up with the foreign railways, especially in France and America. A great many bookings have already been made. The Aldershot Tattoo, Navy Week at Chatham, Portsmouth and Plymouth, and also the Royal Air Force demonstration at Hendon will all have a special bearing upon the Jubilee celebrations. The Aldershot Tattoo, for example, is to be particularly a Jubilee number. Instead of the customary 6

INDUSTRIAL PLANNING

N.R.A. PLANS NEW PROGRAMME

AWAITS WORD OF CONGRESS

Washington, Mar. 19. The United States faces an era of national industrial "planning" when the National Industrial Recovery Act is extended by Congress.

The original two-year period of the law expires June 16, prior to which time Congress must decide whether to foster a gradual reversion to the pre-depression business system of the country or further to extend the politico-economic regime developed under the NRA and its sister organisation, the Agricultural Adjustment Administration.

The fundamental objective of the NRA, as announced by President Roosevelt upon its signature, "was to put people back to work. By the most generous estimate, and disregarding other federal enterprises which have contributed to recovery, the NRA can claim credit for the re-employment of about 4,000,000 workers."

The National Recovery Administration as an emergency recovery organisation has gradually evolved into a vast organism for the more-or-less voluntary regulation of the nation's industry, and every present circumstance indicates that "reform" and not "recovery" will be the dominant idea if Congress grants a new lease on life.

HOPE IN EAGLE

This means, in effect, that an agency of the Federal Government which has extended its coercive or advisory power into 2,500,000 separate business establishments engaging over 90 per cent. of the nation's industrial employees will assume a larger role in "planning" for the industrial world. The NRA will become a more generally recognised and accepted arbiter between the interests of capital and labour, producer and consumer, foreign trader and domestic trader, raw material man or processor.

Never has the world witnessed the growth of a governmental economic agency greater than that of the NRA.

Whether the "blue eagle"—symbol of NRA—flies high or flies low, indisputable statistics confirm the wide range of its sweep. Thousands of industrialists breathe easier under the relaxation of the anti-trust laws, and millions of workers still hope, although less confidently than a year ago, that the "eagle" is in fact an omen of a "New Deal".

The latest official tabulation showed 648 codes in effect affecting approximately 22,000,000 workers of whom 18,000,000 were directly affected by hours and wages provisions. Two and one-half million establishments were under codes.

MUST GO ON

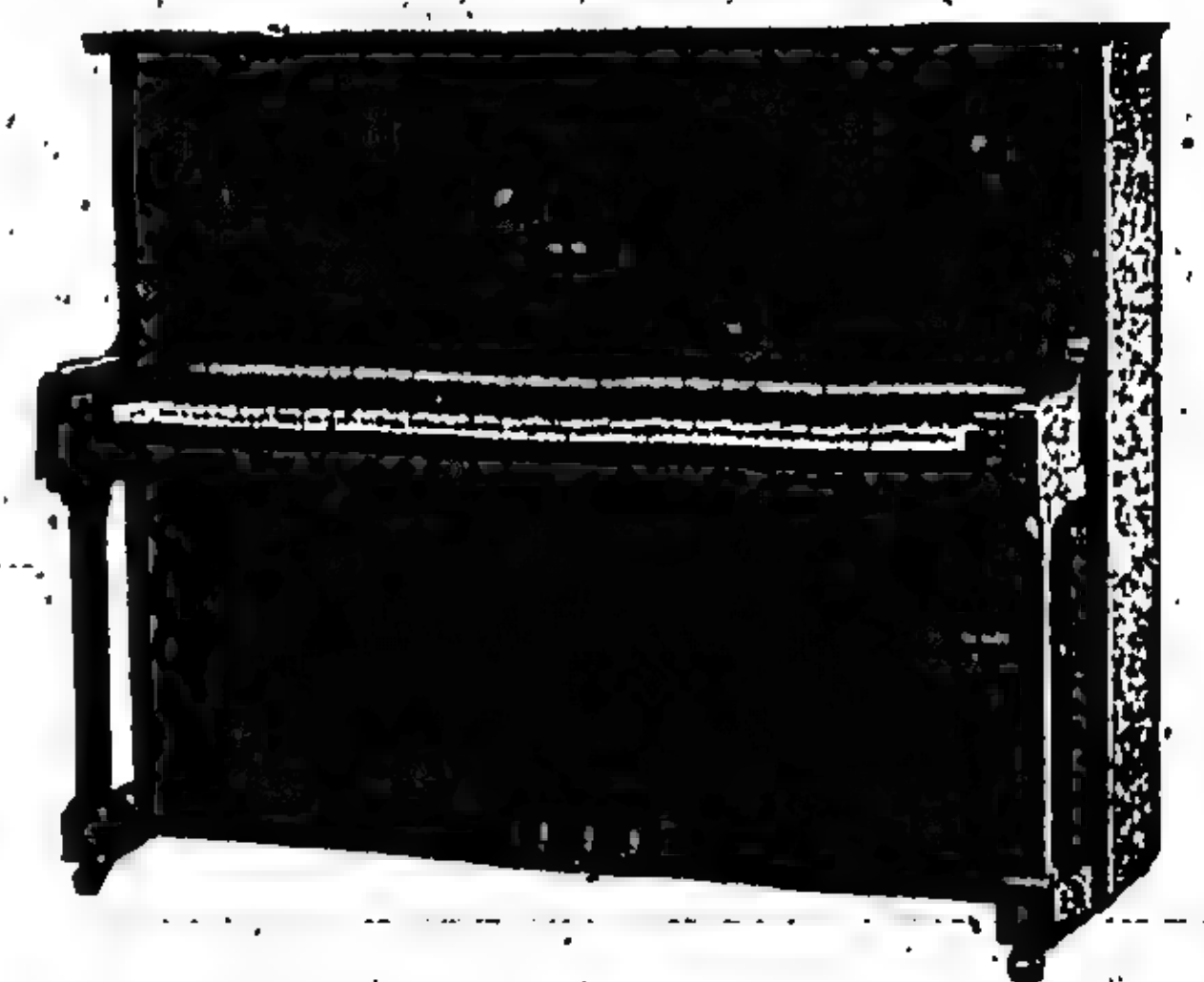
Dissolution of this vast organism by Congress is practically inconceivable because the industrialists would not want re-exposure to the strict application of anti-monopoly laws, and "organized labour", although resentful over application of some provisions of the NRA would be reluctant to relinquish the hard-gained legal status gained in Section 7-A.

The problem for Congress therefore becomes one of assuring that future evolution of the NRA should safeguard the interest of the nation in its entirety. This can only be accomplished, experts believe, with uniform justice through widening the "planning" activities of the central organization. This implies the gradual further curtailment of free competition, the earlier guiding principle of national economic policy.

—United Press.

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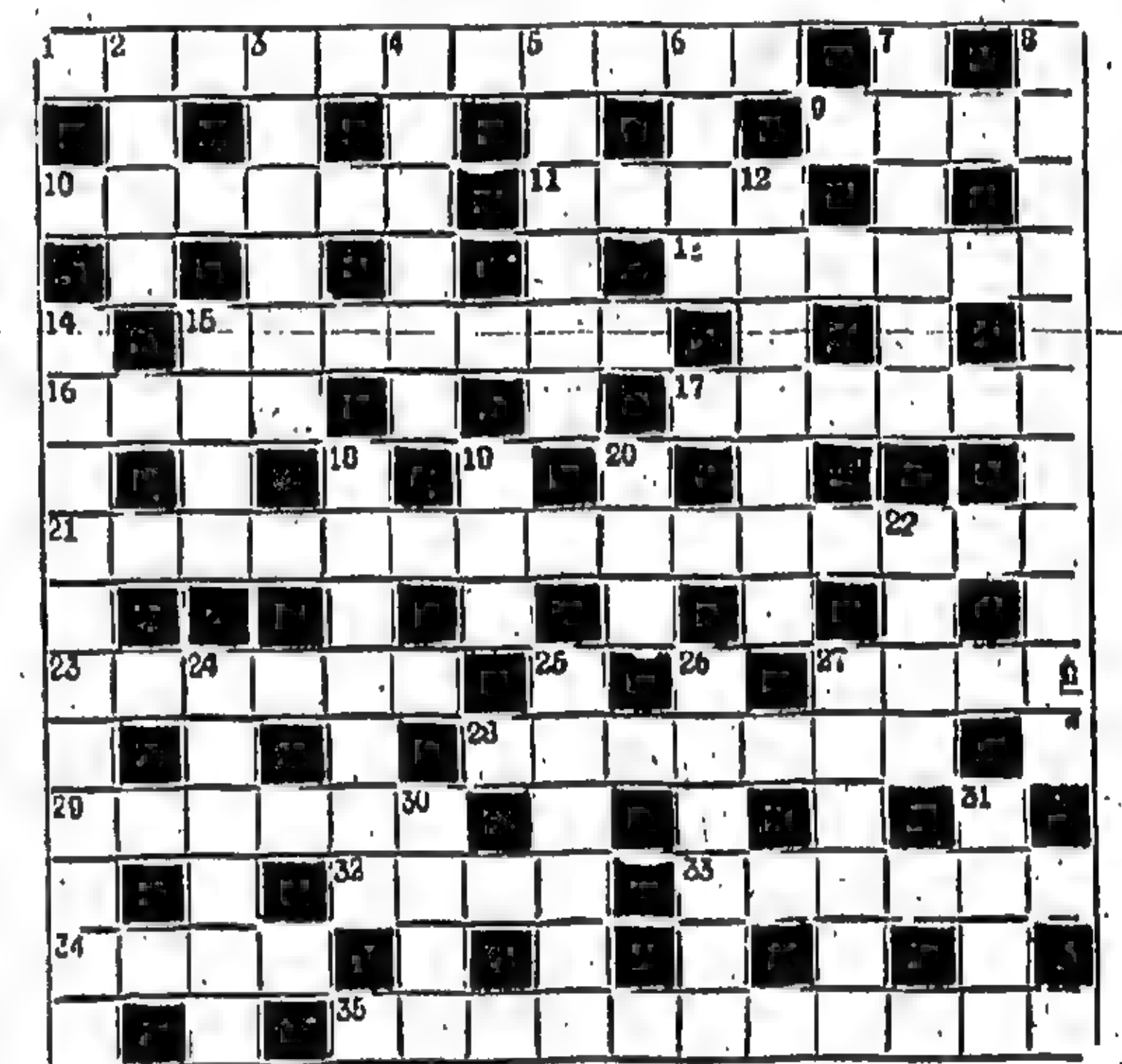
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10 Bird.
11 Fifty-one by itself.
13 How Slavin became changed, and took hard knocks without losing temper.
15 Stumped.
16 It sounds complete, but there's nothing of it.
17 A hybrid contributes largely to the charm.
21 The form of camouflage that "lightens up a girl." (Three-word anag.).
23 Another flowering plant, but this one is only partly hid.
27 Obligated to become intoxicating eventually.
28 Book of the Bible.
29 Cared for.
32 Double this.
33 Diverts.
34 I can't see much in the doctor, but it would seem that the cow did.

Down

2 Dutch town.
3 The gauge on a paper-making machine.
4 Many a man has to pay for what a woman has seen through this.
5 Lost energy.
6 Volcano.
7 Ornamental extremity.

8 Tattered tails in truth show adaptability.
12 No friends of yours—or mine.
14 Countenance.
15 The game to take up.
18 This abroad is a rumour.
19 Undivided.
20 In short, the rest.
22 Representing unpaid debts.
24 A stiff paper arising from study about art.
25 No, he is not a cyclist, this commercial traveller.
26 In a breathing space the accountant will make a fresh computation, and make
27 a small entry.
30 Unload, roughly.
31 Only a female parent.

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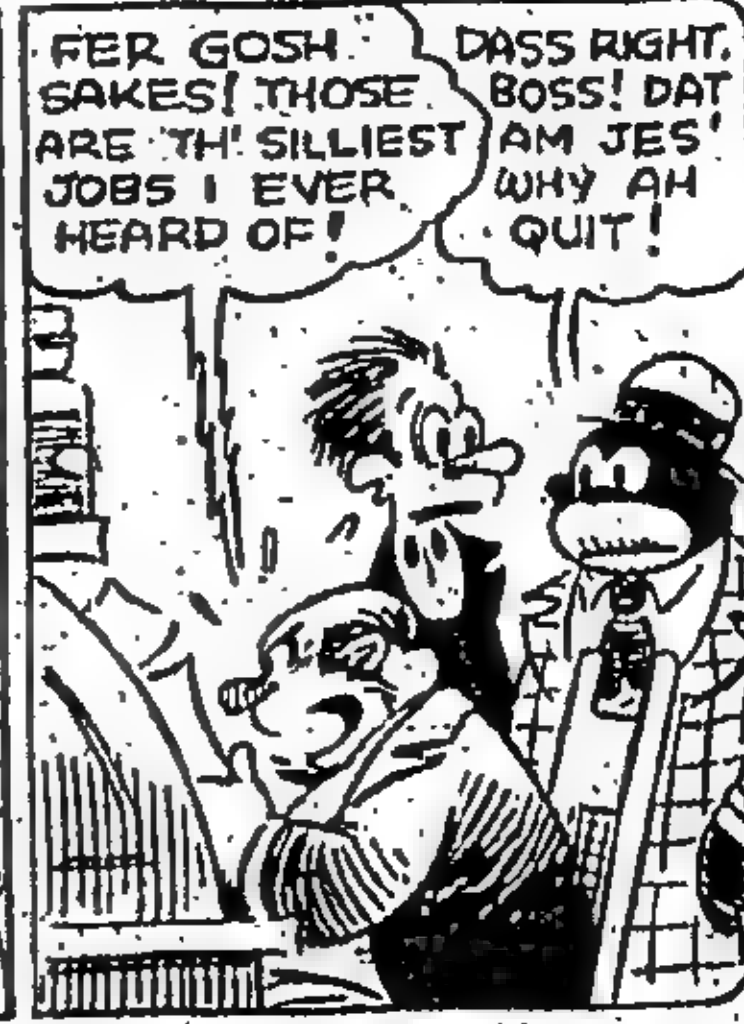
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DEATH TO OPIUM ADDICTS

CHINA MEANS TO
END EVILS

GOVERNMENT
NOT FOOLING

Tientsin. The Chinese Government's drive against the narcotic evil is achieving an amazing success in North China where the traffic is either being destroyed or driven deep underground, it was apparent today.

The most casual observer cannot escape noticing the vast difference between the opium smoking and peddling situation in the foreign-controlled concessions of Shanghai as compared with the Chinese-controlled cities and communities in North China, at least.

China's change, made to the Opium Committee of the League of Nations recently, that the foreign concessions in China are the centres of the drug traffic in the Orient, created much bitterness but there is some reason to believe the facts were truthfully stated.

Any person who has lived in Shanghai or in North China, and is well acquainted with the average citizen, is struck at once with the changed attitude of the opium smoker or narcotic user to the narcotic laws.

The average Shanghai Chinese does not believe it against the law to smoke opium in his home although he knows that opium "dens"



For their own protection, millionaires and big business men are being finger-printed in New York. Mr. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., here enters the police files officially.

are unlawful. One can walk through any typical Chinese passageway in Shanghai and smell the pungent fumes of opium emanating from the crowded houses on either side.

Of the thousands of sing-song houses in Shanghai, this correspondent has yet to hear of one where the opium lamp and pipe are not always ready for the guest. Special precautions are not even necessary as in the United States during the prohibition era, when a "password" or surveillance through a peephole was necessary before admittance.

In Tientsin, Nanking, Peking or any other city of North China, it is a different story. Clinics are established everywhere to cure narcotic and opium addicts. There is no "subtle" smoking as in Shanghai. Users lived in terror of being caught by the police and being given the "cure" for the first offence and facing a firing squad for the second.

There is, in Tientsin, only one large opium "den" known to most Chinese. It is in the Japanese

SOUTH AMERICA CULTURE

SPREAD FAR TO
NORTH-WEST

CHAIN OF
EVIDENCE

Washington. Aboriginal South American culture extended to the Bay Islands of the Caribbean off Honduras, a new report of the Smithsonian Institution indicates.

The report, by Dr. William Duncan Strong of the American Bureau of Ethnology is a study of "Chorotegua" type civilisation, which at the time of Columbus centred in Spanish Honduras, Nicaragua, and Costa Rica. Some archaeologists have sought to find in it the basis of the Mayan civilisation of Yucatan and Guatemala, the highest achieved in the aboriginal New World and one of the highest evolved independently anywhere on earth. It was much cruder than the higher culture, but bears certain general and perhaps basic resemblances to it. The findings of the Smithsonian expedition indicate that people of the Bay Islands had borrowed little from the nearby Maya, whereas the influence of the more distant Costa Rican civilisation was strong.

Dr. Strong gives detailed descriptions of the art facts recovered and the sites explored, with the conclusion that the culture of the Bay Islands represents an extreme northern thrust of South American influence and that any final solution of the major problems of Central America must await more thorough exploration of the southern continent.

"Most of the archaeological remains on the Bay Islands and the adjacent mainland," he says, "show strong connections with the prehistoric Highland area of Costa Rica."

The only people of the Highland region at the time of the conquest were the Guetiar, who belong to the Chibchan linguistic stock of South America. . . . Historical evidence, ethnology, archaeology, and linguistics all combine to suggest that peoples of South American affiliations must have been responsible for most of the archaeological remains on the Bay Islands and probably in Northern Honduras as well. . . . That peoples of Chibchan or affiliated speech at least served as carriers of the culture seems clearly demonstrable.

"The occurrence of this marked prehistoric thrust of South American influence as far North and West as the Bay Islands has interesting theoretical connotations. It forms another link in the growing chain-of-evidence indicating that the answers to many basic problems of Middle American culture history lie buried in the Southern continent.—United Press.

Concession and is said to be licenced, if there are others, they are insignificant and not known to the average Chinese.

The fact that the anti-narcotic law is being strictly enforced against higher Chinese officials in North China, and the number of public executions witnessed here, are convincing the user in these parts that the Government is not fooling.—United Press.

TRAINING THE NATION

CHIANG KAI-SHEK'S
PROGRAMME

BACK TO OLD
STANDARDS.

Nanking. Physical training as a means of race strengthening is strongly advocated by General Chiang Kai-shek, China's active but unathletic strong man, in a blanket order which would require all students,

teachers and public functionaries to select some form of athletics and train in it regularly.

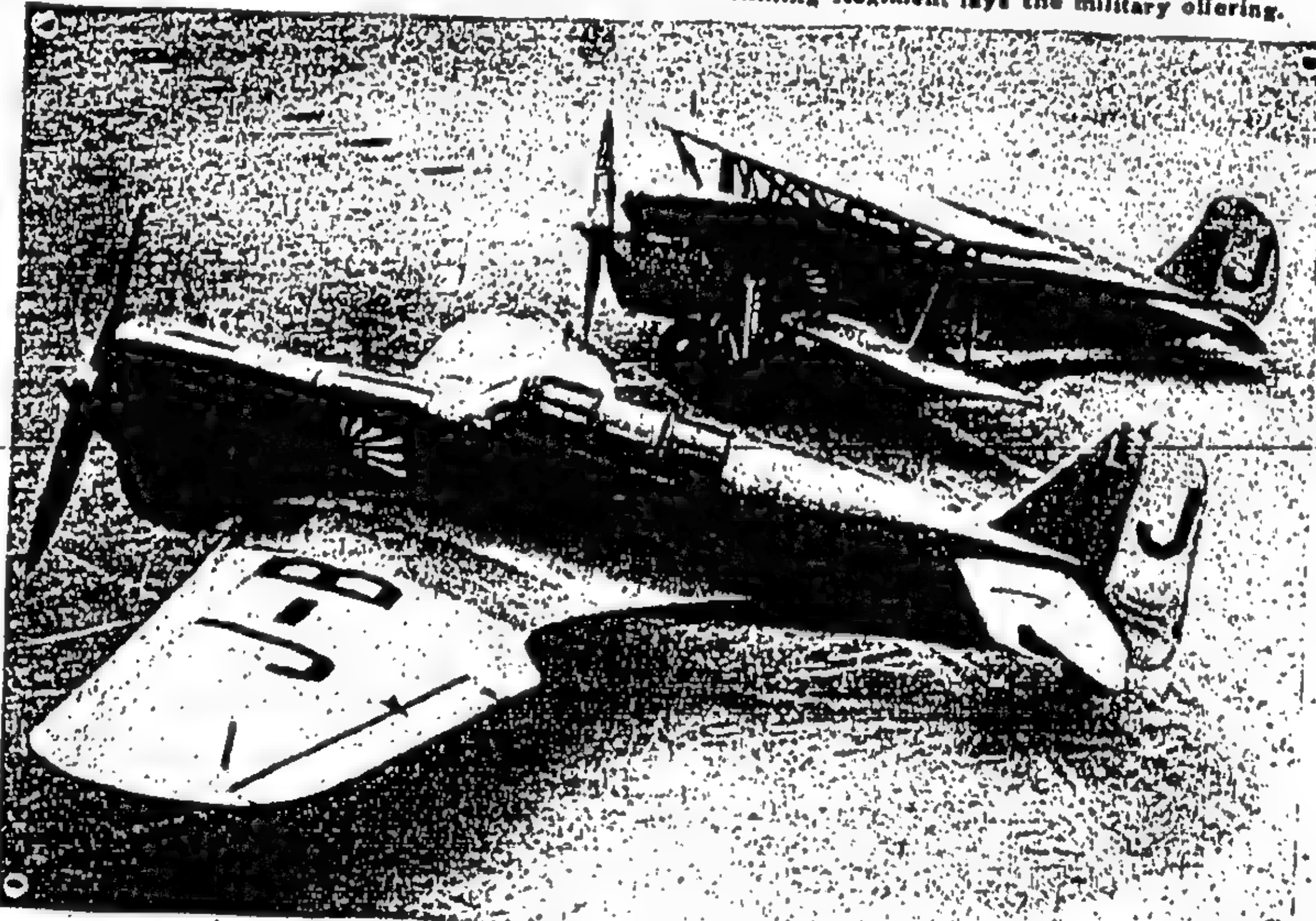
The Generalissimo's decision to enforce a nation-wide programme of individual and group physical training has not grown out of his personal experience practice, for the bulwark of the Chinese government has rarely been known to do much more than take short walks, usually accompanied by his American-educated wife.

Rather, the Generalissimo has gone back to the standard of the ancient Chinese, who included archery and chariot racing among the "six arts" to be excelled in by every scholar and candidate for public office.

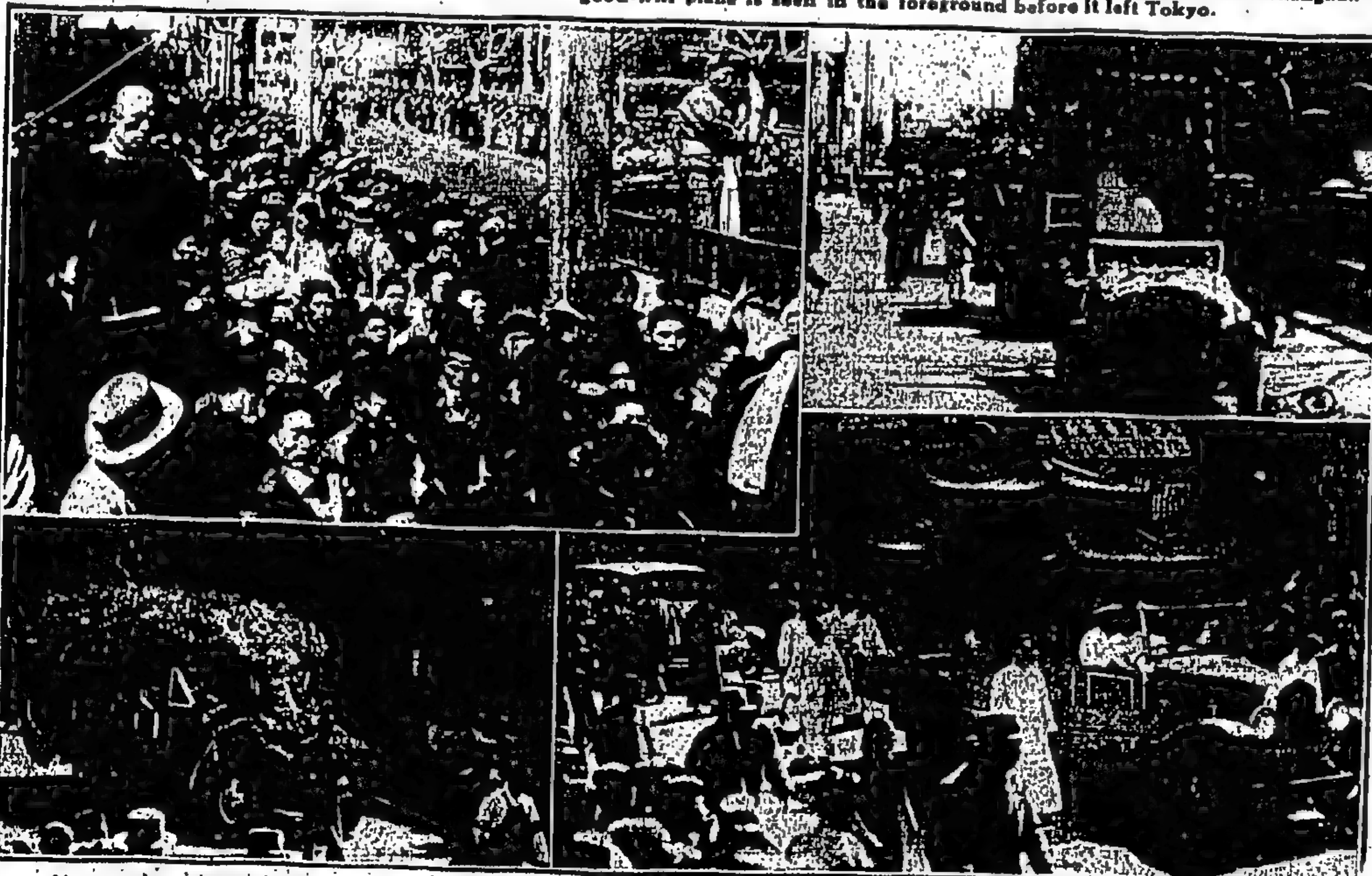
In his circular order to all provincial, political and military administrations, General Chiang bluntly states that modern Chinese public servants, especially those occupying high places in party and military organisations, are too fond of a life of ease. To remedy this situation the head of the National Military Affairs Commission has ordered that group physical training, under qualified instructors, must be enforced in all organisations under control of the National Government. High officials may be excused from taking part in group training, but they must train regularly in a branch of physical activity of their own choosing.—United Press.



The occasion of St. Patrick's Day falling on the Sabbath, made doubly impressive the customary wreath-laying ceremony at the Cenotaph, Shanghai, participated in by members of St. Patrick's Society and representatives of the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers. At top left are shown Messrs. E. F. Hardman and S. C. Young, President and Vice President of the Society, with the floral offering in the shape of "The Harp" that rang through Tara's Halls. At top right are shown in file some of those who attended including Mr. Hardman, Mr. Young, Captain J. T. Inch and Mr. P. T. Givens. Left, below, are shown representatives of the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, on extreme left the piper who played an Irish lament. At right, below, a representative of the Inniskilling Regiment lays the military offering.



To further good will between the Japanese and Chinese people, the "Asahi," a Japanese-built aeroplane owned by the Tokyo Asahi and the Osaka Asahi, recently visited Nanking and Shanghai. The good-will plane is seen in the foreground before it left Tokyo.



Vast numbers of Chinese movie fans in Shanghai turned out en masse to view the funeral procession for Miss Yuen Ling-yu, cinema tragedienne, who was rammed second only to Butterfly Wu in the native cinema constellation. At top left is shown a cross section of the throng in Kiaochow Road. Top right is shown a gigantic glass covered picture of the late star. A bottom left is seen the bus which conveyed part of the elaborate floral offerings—marchers may be seen holding strands of the black rope which encircled groups of the film colony who walked in the parade. At bottom right is shown the caisson, with Mr. Tang Chi-san, chief mourner, a close friend of the star.



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As from 1st April, 1935, no member shall be permitted to transact business for forward delivery unless particulars as to the distinctive numbers of the shares bought and/or sold are inserted in the contracts, such numbers must always be supplied by the seller to the buyer of the shares on the date of the transaction, and shares delivered in fulfilment of any forward contracts must bear the identical numbers as those stated in the contracts.

By order of the Committee
VIVIAN BENJAMIN,
Secretary.

JAPANESE TROOPS INSIDE WALL

BRUSH WITH CHINA MILITIA UNITS

Peiping, March 28.
The local militia units in Hsuijiao District, within the Great Wall, clashed with a body of Japanese troops yesterday.
The Japanese allegedly passed the Great Wall for the purpose of chasing some bandits. Subsequently, it transpired that the conflict was entirely due to misunderstanding. The Japanese troops have refused to evacuate the area though it is under Chinese control, until to-morrow.—Central News.

MORE DRIZZLE

A strong anticyclone has formed over North China. It is extending southward. The depression is moving eastward between Japan and the Bonin Islands. A shallow depression covers S.W. China. Local forecast:—East winds, fresh; cloudy, occasional drizzle or light rain.

SHARE PRICES

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:—

Banks.

H.K. Banks, \$1285 b. and aa.
H.K. Banks (Lon. Reg.), \$126 1/2 n.
Chartered Bank, ex div. \$14 1/4 n.
Mercantile Bank, A. and B. \$31 1/4 n.
Mercantile Bank C., \$13 1/4 n.
East of Asia Bank, \$86 1/2 n.
Am. O. Finance Corp., \$20 n.
China O. Fin. Ord.-Sh. \$1.80 n.
China O. Fin. Pref. Sh. \$4 1/2 n.

Insurance.

Canton Ins., \$260 s.
Union Ins., \$415 b. and aa.
China Underwriters, \$1.60 n.
China Fire, \$400 n.
H.K. Fire Ins., \$220 n.
Internat'l Assee., Sh. \$5.00 n.

Shipping.

Douglas, \$39 1/2 n.
H.K. Steamboats, \$7 1/4 n.
Indo-China, (Pref.), \$30 n.
Indo-China, (Def.), \$33 n.
Shell (Bearer), 60/- n.
Union Waterboats, \$12 1/2 n.

Mining.

Antamoks, 95 cts. n.
Balatoka \$43 n.
Baguio Gold, 39 cts. n.
Benguet Consolidated \$14 n.
Benguet Exp., 16 cts. n.
Benguet Goldfield, 10 cts. n.
Big Wedge, 10 cts. n.
Gold Creek, 40 cts. aa.
Gold River 17 cts. n.
Ipo Mining, \$1 1/4 n.
Itogona, 42 cts. n.
Salacot, 16 cts. n.
Kailan, 16 1/3 n.
Langkals (Single), \$15 n.
Shai Explorations, Sh. \$5 n.
Shai Loans, Sh. \$5 n.
Rauks, \$5.15 n.
Venz: Goldfield, \$5 n.

Docks etc.

H.K. Wharves Cum. etc. \$30 n.
H.K. Wharves Ex-rights, \$89 n.
H.K. Wharves, Rights, \$10.10 b.
H.K. Docks, \$93 1/4 s.
Providents (old), \$1 n.
Providents (new), 20 cts. n.
Hongkewa (old), Sh. \$309 n.
New Engineering, Sh. \$5 s.
Shanghai Docks, Sh. \$120 n.

Cotton Mills.

Ewo Cottons, Sh. \$8.30 n.
Shai Cottons (old), Sh. \$74 n.
Shai Cottons (new), Sh. \$45 n.
Zong Sing, \$9.30 n.
Wing On Textiles, Sh. \$55 n.

Land, Hotels, etc.

H. and S. Hotels, \$4 1/4 b. and aa.
H.K. Land, \$39 1/4 b.
H.K. Land 4% debentures, \$102 n.
Shai Lands, Sh. \$16 n.
Metropolitan Lands, Sh. \$12.20 n.
Hong Kong, \$91 n.
Asia Realities "A" Sh. \$100 n.
Asia Realities "B" Sh. \$15 n.
Chinese Estates, Ex. div. \$90 n.
China Realities, Sh. \$9.60 n.
China Debenture, \$123 n.

Public Utilities.

H.K. Tramways, \$16.50 s.
Peak Trams, (old), \$8 1/2 n.
Peak Trams, (new), \$6 n.
Star Ferries, \$89 n.
Yaumati Ferries, (old), \$22 n.
China Lights, \$9.15 s.
H.K. Electric, \$63 b. and aa.
Macao Electric, \$25 n.
Sandakan Lights, \$8 s.
Telephone (old), \$23 n.
Telephone (new), \$10 n.
China Buses, Sh. \$12.40 n.
Singapore Traction, 10/3 n.
Singapore Pref. 20/6 n.

Industrial.

Malabon Sugars, \$8.60 n.
Cald: Macg. (old), Sh. \$16 n.
Cald: Macg. (Pref.), Sh. \$16 n.
Canton Ice, \$2 1/4 n.
Cement (Converted) \$7 s.
H.K. Ropes, \$2.60 n.

Stores, &c.

Dairy Farms, \$19 1/4 s.
Watson, \$3 1/4 b.
Lane Crawford, \$3.75 n.
Mackintosh, \$21 n.
Sincros, \$3 n.
Wm. Powells, 70 cts. n.
Wing On (H.K.), \$105 n.

Miscellaneous.

Amusements, \$1.85 n.
H.K. Entertainments, \$6.40 n.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LATEST SHARE QUOTATIONS

The following quotations on the London Stock Exchange have been received by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz in conjunction with Reuters.
Mar. 27. Mar. 28.

British Government Securities

War Loan 3 1/2% redm. after 1932 £105 1/2 £105 1/2

Chinese Bonds

4 1/2% Bonds 1898 £100 1/2 £100 1/2
4 1/2% Loan 1918 £ 99 £ 99
5% Loan 1912 £ 89 £ 89
5% Recog. Loan 1913 (Ldn. Ins.) £ 96 1/2 £ 96 1/2
5% Bonds 1925-47 £ 96 1/2 £ 96 1/2
5% Shai-Banking Rly. £ 81 1/2 £ 81 1/2
5% Tient-Pukow Rly. £ 33 £ 33
5% Tient-Pukow Railway (Supl. Loan) £ 28 £ 28
5% Shai-H'chow-Ningbo Rly. £101 £101
5% Honan Rly. £ 31 1/2 £ 31 1/2
5% Hukwang Rly. £ 44 1/2 £ 44 1/2
5% Long Tsing U. Hai Rly. 1913 £ 18 £ 17 1/2

Foreign Bonds and Banks

German 7% Int. Loan 1924 £ 68 £ 66 1/2
Japan 5% Sterling Loan 1907 £ 76 1/2 £ 76 1/2
Japan 6% Sterling Loan 1924 £ 90 1/2 £ 90 1/2
H.K. & Shai Bank (Ldn. Regd.) £126 1/2 £126 1/2
Chartered Bank 5% sh. £ 14 1/2 £ 14 1/2

Commercial and Industrial

Allied Iron Foundries 36 3/4 36 1/2
Associated Elec. Industries 24 1/2 24 1/2
Austin Motors ord. sh. 44 3/4 44 1/2
Boots 5/- sh. 47 3/4 47 1/2
British American Tobacco 111 10/16 111 1/2
Canadian Celanese Chinese Eng. and Min. (Bearer) 17 1/2 16 3/4
Courtauld 49 7/8 49 3/4
Distillers 89 7/8 89 3/4
Dunlop Rubber 48 1/2 47 3/4
Electric Musical Industries 28 3/4 27 1/2
General Electric (England) 47 1/2 47 1/2
Impl. Chem. Ind. 36 1/4 35 3/4
Impl. Chem. Ind. Def. 10/- sh. 9 1/2 8 1/2
Impl. Tobacco 131 10/16 131 1/2
Internat. Nickel no par val 24 1/2 24 1/2
Rohls. Hoys 101 1/2 100 1/2
Shai Elec. Constr. 47 1/2 47 1/2
Tate & Lyle 99 1/2 99 1/2
Turner & Newall United Steel 52 1/2 52 1/2
Watney, Combe & Reid def. ord. 65 1/2 65 1/2
Woolworths 103 1/2 103 1/2

Miscellaneous

Anglo-Dutch 21 1/2 21 1/2
Charltd. 15/- sh. 21 1/2 21 1/2
Cable & Wireless 21 1/2 21 1/2
Pekin Synd. 21 1/2 21 1/2
ord. sh. 1 1/2 1 1/2
Rubber Trusts 30 1/2 29 1/2
Southern Railway (Deferred) £ 22 £ 21 1/2

Mines

Burma Corp. Ra. 10 20 1/2 20 1/2
Chosen Corp. 25/- 25/-
Crown Mines 280/- 276 3/4
Randfontein Estates 57 3/4 56 1/2
Spring Mines 192 1/2 191 3/4
Sub-Nigel 230/- 227 3/4
Rhokana Corporation 97 1/2 100/-

Oils

Anglo-Persian 48 1/2 48 1/2
Burma Oil 73 1/2 72 1/2
Shell Trans and Trad. (Bearer) 48 1/2 50/-

S. C. Enterprises, \$1.35 n.

Macao "Greyhounds," \$2 n.
Constructions (old), \$1.70 n.
Construction (new), 45 cts. n.
Vibor Pilling, \$5 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 G. & Bonds 93 1/2 n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 6 1/2% prem. b.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan 2% prem. b.
Wallace Harpers, \$7 s.

NULLAH MURDER EXECUTION

CHINESE PAYS FULL PENALTY

Ng Lo-yuen, aged 38, found guilty of murdering Michael Ping, a British lad, by throwing him into the nullah near the lower Peak Tram station in June last, paid the full penalty for his crime, when he was executed at Victoria Gaol early this morning.

The delay in carrying out the death sentence was caused by an appeal having been made to the Privy Council, which body, however, declined to interfere with the verdict.

LOCAL DOLLAR DECLINES

NOW BELOW TWO SHILLINGS

The Hongkong dollar declined 1/8th on opening this morning, the official rate being two shillings. Later in the morning, the rate was changed to 1s. 11 1/4d., the market being weak.

Shanghai opened at 1s. 6 1/2d., but later rose to 1s. 6 1/4d. Silver prices in London declined 1/16th spot and 1/8th forward. China sold, while speculators bought, the market closing quietly steady.

ZBW TREAT

MISS LORINE NASH ON THE AIR

A pleasant surprise is in store for ZBW listeners to-night. Miss Lorine Nash, the star feminine announcer at KZRM, Manila, well-known to Hongkong listeners, is in the Colony, and will appear before ZBW's microphone from 8.15 to 8.30 p.m. to-night.

Miss Nash, who is en route to the United States on vacation, will broadcast several pianoforte items, and will announce herself. Hundreds of Hongkong listeners will recognise her charming voice.

Immediately following Miss Nash's broadcast, ZBW will switch over to Davenport, from which station, following a relay of the B.H.C. Dance Orchestra, it will relay the running commentary on the Grand National Steeplechase.

Loan Chan, 30, a returned banished man, was sent to prison for ten months when he appeared before Mr. Macfarlane this morning charged with returning before his period of banishment had expired.

In the afternoon, the market took on a steadier tone, the business rate being about 2s. 0.1/8d. and 2s. 0.3/16.

PRESENTATION TO H.M.S. SUFFOLK

BRAVE RESCUE WORK RECOGNISED

In recognition of the splendid services rendered by the Officers and ship's company of H.M.S. Suffolk in connection with the stranding of the s.s. City of Cambridge on Pratas Reef on October 6 last, a handsome piece of silver plate was presented to the ship this morning by His Excellency the Commander in Chief, Admiral Sir Frederic Dreyer, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., on behalf of the Ellerman Shipping Company, of Glasgow.

His Excellency boarded the ship shortly after 9 a.m., and, after inspecting the ship, wished the Captain, Officers and ship's company farewell prior to their sailing for Shanghai, at 10 a.m. He then made the presentation.

The Suffolk leaves for Home later this year before the return of the Fleet from their summer cruise. The plate bore the following inscription: "Presented to the Captain, Officers and Company of H.M.S. Suffolk by the Ellerman Shipping Company, Glasgow, as a token of thanks for the very courageous aid lent to the Officers and Men of the s.s. City of Cambridge, on Pratas Island, October 1934."

FRENCH GOVT. DEFEATED

NO QUESTION OF CONFIDENCE

(Special to "Telegraph")

Paris, Mar. 29.
The Chamber of Deputies twice rejected a Government motion to-day, in connection with the Easter Recess. The first vote was 352 to 238, on the motion for a recess ending May 28, and the second vote was 300 to 266 with May 21 suggested. Although no question of confidence is involved, the vote is regarded as a defeat for the Government. The Chamber adjourned until to-morrow afternoon.—United Press.

SHARE MARKET IMPROVES

EFFECT OF NEW RULE

Enquiries made in Ice House Street this morning elicited the information that the decision of the Stock Exchange to require the insertion of share numbers on contract notes for forward dealings, appears to have had a beneficial effect on the market.

There were more buyers in evidence and many small transactions were reported in forward deliveries, with numbers, for May.

POST OFFICE.

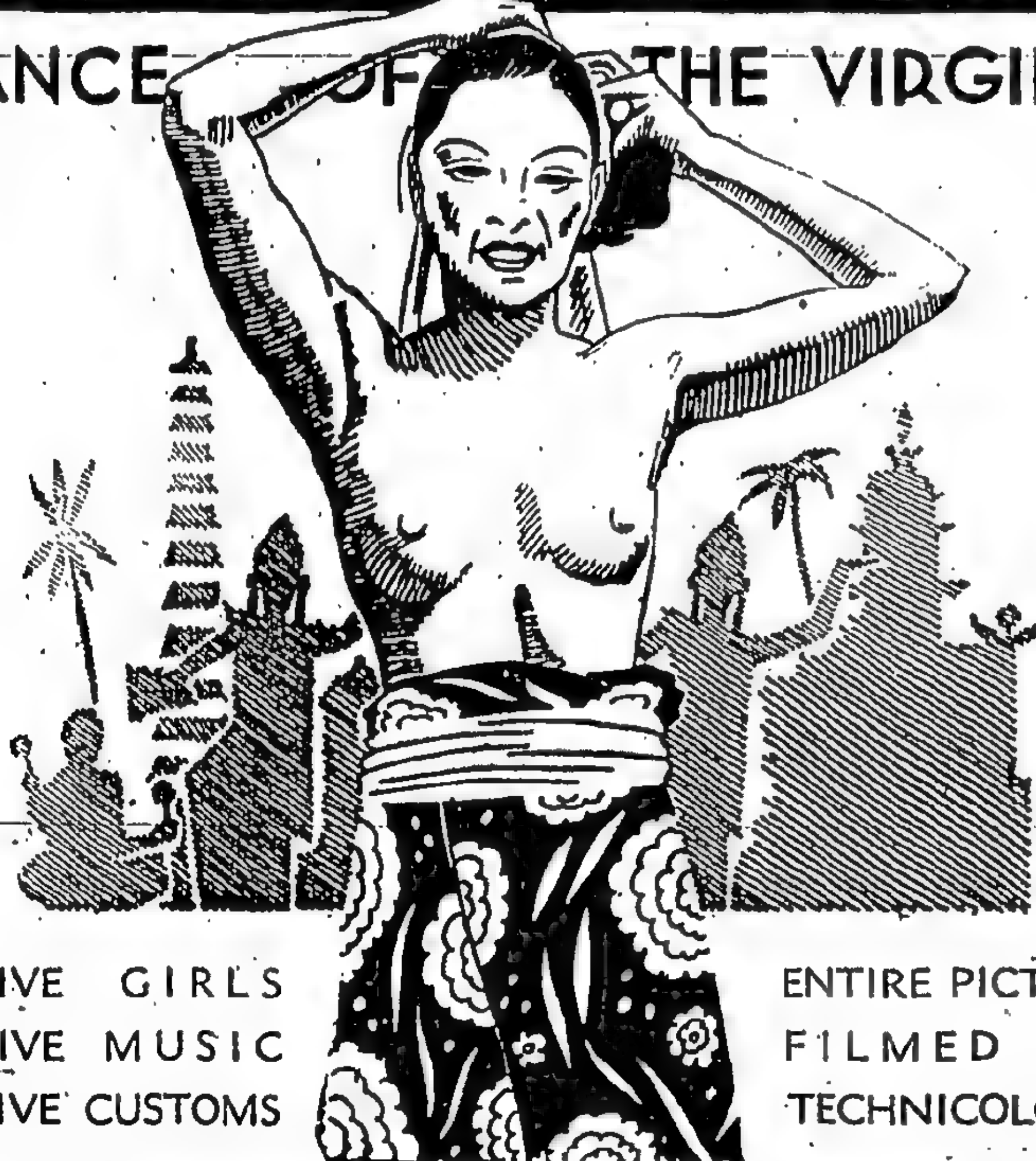
INWARD MAILS.

Straits and London Parcels—London, 21st February and Air Mail Express—Imperial Airways Service, (London 16th March)
Amoy March 29.
Straits March 29.
Shanghai and Swatow March 30.
Shanghai and Amoy March 30.
Japan March 31.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For Per Friday Date and Time
Samshui and Wuchow Toishan Fri. Mar. 29, 4 p.m.
Straits and Europe via Marseilles Fri. Mar. 29, 4 p.m.
—due Marseilles, 27th April
K.P.O.
Parcels, .. March 29, 1.00 p.m.
Reg., .. March 29, 3.30 p.m.
Letters, .. March 29, 4.30 p.m.
Letters for "Handbags—Amsterdam Air Mail Service" Haruna Maru Fri. Mar. 29, 4.30 p.m.
Reg., .. March 29, 4.30 p.m.
Letters, .. March 29, 4.30 p.m.
Manilla Pres. Polk Fri. Mar. 29, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and Europe via Victoria B.C., and Europe via Siberia (Due Victoria B.C. 16th April), Wing Lee Fri. Mar. 29, 5 p.m.
Hohow and Pakhoi New Mathilde Fri. Mar. 29, 5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles (Due Marseilles, 27th April), Haruna Maru Fri. Mar. 29, 5 p.m.
K.P.O.
Reg., .. March 29, 4.30 p.m.
Letters, .. March 29, 4.30 p.m.
Shanghai City of Bristol Sat. Mar. 30, 10.30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta Santhia Sat. Mar. 30, 11 a.m.
Parcels, .. March 30, 11 a.m.
Letters for "Imperial Airways Service" Saale Sat. Mar. 30, 11 a.m.
K.P.O.
Reg., .. March 30, 3 p.m.
Letters, .. March 30, 3.30 p.m.
Letters for "Singapore Australia Air Mail Service" Saale Sat. Mar. 30, 3 p.m.
K.P.O.
Reg., .. March 30, 3 p.m.
Letters, .. March 30, 3.30 p.m.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia Patroclus Sat. Mar. 30, 5 p.m.
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In the hands of such a competent choir and sympathetic soloists the work lost none of its magnificence and beauty. Several of Mendelssohn's passages in this oratorio are the most emotional compositions in all of the many sacred cantatas. To obtain their full meaning and to reveal their profound musicality demands a technique and quality of singing of the highest degree. This was provided by the Hongkong Singers who can regard this as their most successful public performance to date.

EXTRAORDINARILY SINCERE

The rendition was by no means perfect, but it was extraordinarily sincere. One felt the necessity for a little more verve among the sopranos both in the chorus work and in some of the solos. In an effort to give the fullest emphasis to the pianissimo phrases there was a tendency to be a little too restrained, thereby losing some of the wonderful harmonic effects of the composition.

Brief though it was, the finest work of the chorus was in "Life that shall endure to the end shall be saved." The voices harmonized with glorious effect and the singing was outstandingly expressive.

The important solo work of "Elijah" was taken by the Rev. W. H. Balnes and it is not exaggerating to state that no other local baritone could have sung the difficult recitatives and airs with a greater depth of feeling. He captured the spirit of the composer in the scornful denunciation of the

"TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT

Topical Pictures To-morrow

Many interesting pictures will appear in to-morrow's issue of the Telegraph Pictorial Supplement, including some of the recent big-scale manoeuvres in Hongkong.

Amongst the groups will be one showing Spanish Fathers, including Father Bravo, recently released by Communists after over a year's captivity.

The wedding of Mr. Yung Chi-yim and Miss Emily Tam will be illustrated; whilst other pictures will show the women's section of the Golf Club at the annual Fencing Meeting, the staff of St. Stephen's Girls' School, the Morrison Hall athletic team, and a photo will also appear of the St. Patrick's Hall in progress.

Priests of Bual, and he succeeded in expressing the complete hopelessness of the prophet in his prayer to God to take away his life. Apart from Mr. Balnes' moving expression, his voice was full of tonal quality and Hongkong will impatiently await further appearances in these sacred works.

"O REST IN THE LORD"

Mrs. F. T. Portallion sang her passages beautifully especially the famous and much loved "O Rest in the Lord." The soprano solos were very effectively taken by Mrs. D. Snowden-Jones and Mrs. J. Anderson-Miller, while Mr. J. A. Kennedy round the restrained type of music admirably suited to his voice.

The double quartettes were exceedingly well sung, noteworthy among them being the delicious "O Come everyone that thirsteth." These were handled by Mrs. Anderson-Miller, Mrs. E. St. G. Kirko, Miss B. M. Bieheno, Mrs. W. Sinclair, Mr. H. Annis, Mr. J. A.

U.S. COMMODITY PRICES

LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

The following quotations on the New York commodity exchange are issued by Reuters:

New York Cotton	Mar. 27	Mar. 28
Close	11.07	10.96/07
May	11.14	11.01/03
July	10.76	10.62/63
October	10.82	10.61/62
December	10.86	10.67/67
January (1936)	10.93	10.73/73
March	11.36	11.25
Spot	11.36	11.25

New York Rubber	Mar. 27	Mar. 28
May	11.73	11.66/66
July	11.84	11.66/68
September	11.98	11.82/84
October	12.05	11.82/84
December	12.20	12.06/06
January	12.28	12.14/14
Total sales	324 lots	

Chicago Wheat	Mar. 27	Mar. 28
May	94 1/4	94 1/4
July	93 1/4	92 3/4
September	93	92 1/4
Wednesday's sales	17,620,000 bushels	

Chicago Corn	Mar. 27	Mar. 28
May	79 1/4	78 1/4-78 3/4
July	74	73 1/4-73 1/2
September	69 1/4	68 1/4-69 1/4
Total sales	9,020,000 bushels	

Winnipeg Wheat	Mar. 27	Mar. 28
May	85 1/4	84 1/4-84 1/2
July	84 1/4	84 1/4-84 1/2
Total sales	26 lots	

Montreal Sugar	Mar. 27	Mar. 28
May	61.25	61.45/60
July	61.68	61.95/62.15
September	62.05	62.55
December	63.45	63.45
Total sales	11 contracts	

New York Metals	Mar. 27	Mar. 28
Copper January	6.77	6.88
Tin January	16.30	16.65

Kennedy, Rev. Cyril Brown, Capt. O. F. Jones and Mr. L. Peckham. Mr. Frederick Mason, A.R.C.O., was at the organ and Mr. J. Anderson-Miller, L.R.A.M., guided the chorus through the intricate movements with a baton full of sympathy and understanding. The large congregation joined in singing the hymn "Praise my

MANILA STOCK EXCHANGE

PHILIPPINE GOLD SHARE QUOTATIONS

To-day's quotations as received by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz shortly after the close of the morning session of the Manila Stock Exchange are as follows:—

Price in Pesos	Asked Bid	Price in Pesos	Volume
Aniakok Goldfields	0.93	0.90	20000
Anglo Gold Mining	0.91	0.90	—
Heilbrunn Consolidated	12.20	12.00	12000
Gold River	0.12	0.11	10000
Los Gold Mines	1.20	—	—
Manila Mining Co.	0.86	0.84	2000
Salcedo Mining Co.	0.17	0.15	—
Super Consolidated	0.21	0.20	—
United Patente	0.33	0.31	10000
U. S. & F. Gold share Index	76.0	Market	lowly Jewish. Volume prices 100,000.

"WE FARMERS MUST HAVE TARIFFS"

(Continued from Page 6.)

necessity of implementing a tariff policy!

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soul the King of Heaven" before the start of the oratorio, and at the conclusion Bishop Hall offered prayer and gave the Blessing. A retiring collection was made on behalf of the Hongkong Benevolent Society.—S.A.G.

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Corned Beef	"Emery"	12 oz tins 6 for	1.00
Cooked Peas	"Beulah"	11 oz tins	.17
Damsons	"Beulah"	2 1/2 tins	.52
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FRIDAY, MAR. 29, 1935.

MUNITIONS TRADE CONTROL

France, unlike Britain and the United States, is not disposed at the moment to conduct an investigation into the manufacture of armaments. The reason given by M. Flaminio is that he is against French national defence being discussed at the present moment. Meanwhile, it is of interest to note that as the United States Senate moves nearer to passage of a law limiting war-time profits in the munitions trade, further exposures of how the trade was handled in the Great War are threatened. It is even suggested by members of the Nye Committee that there was something like a strike of capital in the most crucial moments of the war, when big munitions makers are said to have delayed production to quibble over profits at a time of national crisis. Senator Nye bluntly states that some of the munitions makers "forgot patriotism for personal gain." How it is intended to curb such obstruction is not at the moment disclosed, but it is believed that the United States will make an endeavour to rule out such a possibility in the future. A great change has come over war-making in the last generation. Nowadays, when a nation goes to war, it must go as a unit. The soldier is only the spearhead of its effort. Behind him all the wealth and industry of the nation must be united. This is because the scope of modern war has broadened so tremendously. In the old days war was carried on chiefly by professional armies, augmented by volunteers. Except for raising prices and a shortage of man-power, a nation's daily life was not very greatly affected by war. Despite all effort, the slogan of "Business as usual" has been found to be impossible when modern war breaks out; every citizen and every institution must be a cog in the war-making machine. It is for that reason that the old, individualistic method of creating and marketing war supplies is obsolete in war time. Individual rights must be over-ridden. Freedom, in the ordinary sense, is suspended for duration of the conflict. That is why some form of government control over the munitions trade is a war-time essential. It is also, when one stops to think about it, the greatest of all arguments against war itself.

NOTES OF THE DAY

GERMAN RESENTMENT

It is easy to understand the German resentment against the Lithuanian Government for sentencing to death those persons who were found guilty of murdering a fellow-conspirator who had turned "state's evidence." Yet, surely, at a time when women are executed for selling information of a military nature to a foreign power, there can be no appalling shock when some foreign court sentences to prison those who plot against the Government. The four persons condemned to die in Lithuania were murderers as well as conspirators. For murder there is a heavy penalty under any flag. The fact that the murderers were also conspirators, plotting to win back to Germany the territory of Memel and the city of that name, brings them the sympathy of the German people. We, too, can sympathise with them in their love for their native land, and their desire to return to it. We do not condone their methods, however; nor do we hold with the policy of violence by which they hoped to attain their ends. That they should pay the penalty of their crime seems reasonable and just. They will not be excused as conspirators, but as murderers.

BRITAIN'S RESPONSIBILITY

Britain has long recognised that no permanent adjustment of Europe's tension can take place without restoration of Germany to a legitimately equal position, an equality which is admittedly meaningless without the implementation of an adequate measure of armament and a primary voice in diplomatic negotiations. Accusations that the British, in contriving the London Accords, have sought to force the Reich merely to sign on the dotted line, miss the vital point of Downing Street policy. Britain may have been deeply disturbed by successive internal developments in Germany, but it has not departed from the clear recognition that "encirclement," by which is meant a building up of protective alliances about the German borders, will hardly place the Germans in a position where they feel free to undertake real and substantial guarantees to peace. Yet the second aspect of the British policy is a distinct realism. Should the present peace efforts fail because of intransigence, or because of a nationalistic problem in their broader aspects, Britain is apparently prepared to accept greater responsibilities to solidify the continental peace structure. Distinctly the British preference is for a security system in which Germany can take its place. But falling this, Britain apparently is not in a mood to avoid the consequences of agreements with those nations which are willing to enter a newly stabilised grouping.

POOR FARMER!

Ten thousand women in California are going on a meat strike. That means they will not buy from the butcher a single ten-cent order of ground steak for a hungry husband nor a scrap of liver for the cat. There will be approximately ten thousand disgruntled households if the strike goes on. The thing has its serious aspect, however. The housewives of the California state generally are amongst the best off in the world to-day so far as cheap necessities are concerned. There are few parts of the world where meat is cheaper and better. Dairy products have always been moderately priced, and vegetables are too cheap for farmers to bother growing them, except in great bulk. The problem seems to be meat. The complaint is against nothing else for the moment. And yet, not a week ago, we read an advertisement in an American journal offering two pounds of best beef and five pounds of mixed vegetables... all for twenty cents. There are certain cuts, as any housewife knows, which cost more than others. One would not expect to get tenderloin and the choice roasting bits of the rump for the same price one would pay for stewing beef. But a couple of pounds of good red meat and five pounds of vegetables for twenty cents, approximately 40 cents in Hong-kong money, seems to us to be a price against which there is very little reason to complain. It seems to us that Californians do not know when they are well off. The housewives suggest that the federal Government do something to help the stock farmers so that they can sell more cheaply. What we know of the cattle business is very little; but it is sufficient for us to appreciate that a reduction of prices for beef on the hoof would be disastrous to the plainmen of the American and Canadian West. That is not where the profits are going, if profits there be. The housewives of California must look to someone other than the poor farmer to reduce the cost of living. Compared to the farmer's lot, the average household in American cities lives on the threshold of Heaven.

"WE FARMERS MUST HAVE TARIFFS"

By J. F. WRIGHT

(Secretary, Norfolk Branch of the National Farmers' Union)

In calling for a general tariff on all agricultural produce, Mr. Wright, who farms extensively in South-East Norfolk, points out that marketing boards give little or no protection against cheap imports. Yet recently the announcement is made that the establishment of still another board—for marketing eggs and poultry—is officially recommended.

DURING the last year or two home agriculture has been floundering in a tangle of quotas and subsidies which have done nothing towards the essential need of permanent economic stability. The formation of Marketing Boards for milk and bacon pigs, with little or no protection against the menace of cheap imports, has brought no improvement in the financial returns for these products.

There is therefore little cause for wonder that responsible agricultural opinion—which has never really wavered but which has been willing to give the Government's policy a "try-out"—has again turned to the simple and sane alternative of tariffs as a means of establishing the farmer's right to the first position in the home market.

The present policy is enmeshing farmers in a maze of regulations, and actually is heading towards restriction of production, the mere contemplation of which is arousing a storm of resentment, and the enforcement of which would be entirely opposed to national interests.

Here we are, with an army of unemployed, still importing food-stuffs to the value of over £250,000,000 yearly, and yet talking about producing less at home, involving more unemployment here and the paying of more money to workers in other countries.

It is utterly wrong: We must produce to the maximum; we must find work on the land and a living wage for many more men.

How is it to be done? Not by regulating and harassing home farmers, and giving to foreign countries quotas which are disregarded and which still leave our markets flooded with competitive imports, often dumped here at values far below the prices at which they are sold in the country of production.

Not by a policy of subsidies. The disastrous crashing of prices has forced farmers to accept aid in whatever form the Government has offered it. But they hate being on the dole, and they know perfectly well that the country will not continue to spoon-feed agriculture.

They argue thus: The land of this country ought to produce as much as it will grow. If we were free agents we might be able to struggle along. But Parliament has fixed our main cost of production.

tion—wages—and therefore we cannot compete with countries where every cost is lower, or with those whose Governments subsidise exports. If we are to continue to produce we must be protected against unfair competition. Now, in my judgment, the policy of the National Government is failing. The general level of agricultural prices is lower than it was when the Government took office (some products are below their pre-war value) while costs have risen since 1931.

It is obvious that unless the Government alter their ways and drastically cut the imports of the foodstuffs which are keeping home production values below cost, the intricate system of marketing which farmers have been gulled into accepting, and for which they are being heavily taxed, will not bring about an improvement. But the Government have tied their own hands with the Ottawa and foreign trade agreements, and while these operate they cannot take effective action.

They are not even doing as much as they could.

Consider the question of butter imports. Empire supplies are unregulated, but the allocations to Denmark and Sweden were based on a total Empire importation of 8,100,000 cwt.; in the event of this quantity being exceeded, the countries named were to be allotted a share of the excess.

Knowing the plight of the home dairy industry and the difficulties of the Milk Board, it should have been the business of the Government to ensure that imports were kept below the named quantity.

It could have been done. But imports in 1934 were 9,702,818 cwt., and the excess which might have been kept out was equivalent to more than 420,000,000 gallons of milk.

The quantity of home-produced milk surplus to liquid requirements and used for manufacturing purposes last year was roughly 237,000,000 gallons, and this surplus lowered the price of the whole home output. If the Government had kept butter imports down it would have helped the Milk Marketing Scheme.

Agriculture, the most vital industry in the country, deserves better treatment than it has had. Tariffs are as essential to it as to any other industry, and would operate without the irritating effects which quotas have upon our trade with other countries.

Beef producers particularly are in need of this help. It is an established fact that consumption in this country has declined, yet imports have greatly increased, despite all the efforts to restrict them. Last year we received 634,000 tons—5 per cent. more than in 1933—and even with the aid of the subsidy home prices are only just above the pre-war level.

These prices are ruinous. Every bullock marketed to-day is losing money either to the breeder or fatterer, and in most cases to both. Surely it is time the Government considered anew the (Continued on Page 5.)

The Very Idea!

OUR AGONY COLUMN

By Horatio (Love-Lorn) Bogg

"Lone gent, thrown on his own resources on this inhospitable Island of Hongkong, would like to meet young lady with view to congenial friendship for which his wretched soul has always craved."—H.B.

"If 'H.B.' is sincere in his representations and cares to give more information about himself, it would give undersigned great pleasure to know him."—A.D.

"A.D.' is very kind to have answered. *Noblesse oblige*, and so it is only fair she should have the information required. My age is well this side of forty, although a bald patch on the crown may seem to belie it. I eat with moderation, but will not refuse a drink. I am perfectly sound in health, not having neglected to take my daily dose of Kruschen salts, and my teeth are intact and the best money can buy. Beside the platonic friendship such as ours will be, I am sure you will agree with me that money is a secondary consideration and so we need not discuss it here."—H.B.

"Your letter is so charmingly written that it has made the meeting with you one of pleasurable anticipation for me. Will the Gloucester Lounge at 10.30 on Friday suit? I must confess I shall be awfully disappointed if I do not see you."—A.D.

"Extremely nice of you to have said all that. I shall hold myself responsible for keeping the appointment. I shall be identified by a black suit with roses in the button-hole."—H.B.

And so we went to keep that appointment with a heart that cruelly palpitated. We met her. To say we were pleased by what we saw was to tell a brazen untruth, and to say we were disappointed would be ungallant to the lady. No doubt she would have more reason to say as much of us, and was as much repelled. But having proceeded that far, we felt we could not withdraw with honour.

From that moment we hated each other, and we knew it. Only, if that were possible, we hated her more than she did us, this because we both knew it was within her power to have considered our feelings and freed us from an irksome contract.

For the sixth time that day, The Thing had rung us up. We cursed softly. "Shall I see you to-day?" she asked with the privilege of a twenty-four hours' friendship.

We prayed in our heart of hearts that she would not, only we did not say so, and muttered something about work. But she was insistent.

"Well, make it 9 p.m. then," we snarled.

"What am I to do with myself in the meantime?" she demanded.

We dam-well know what we would want her to do. The mildest thing we would be wanting her to do would be to remove herself the farthest sphere from our existence, but there, again, we were too dumb to say it.

"Go to the pictures," we suggested, this very weakly.

"I may do that, but I have a grand idea. There is a cheap sale at the Silk Store, and I do need so many things; dear. We can take that sale in with the pictures."

"So we can, and no doubt, we shall also have time to take in the tea dance at the Roof Garden, dinner in the Grillroom, and the Charity Ball afterwards at the Peninsula."

There are occasions when one is mad enough to turn the dogger in a self-inflicted wound. This was one of those occasions.

"How thoughtful of you darling," The Thing gurgled. Then, anxiously, "Are you sure we can go to all that and have time left for supper afterwards?"

"Of course we can, but we are not going to!" we replied.

"What do you mean? Think of the glorious time we both will be having."

"I am not insensible to your way of thinking, young lady, but—"

"But what?"

"It was congenial companionship for which I had bargained, before you got me in on these unending round of engagements and pleasures."

"And are you not getting it? How ungrateful of you to say you have not."

"Not a bit," we spoke up, the time for polite speaking gone. "You are no gentleman." The Thing had started to scream over the wire.

"And you are no lady, either," we calmly went on. "You are a gold-digger."

At this point a grating noise came over, indicative of the receiver being replaced with force at the other end of the line. So ended our first romance.



"She's my best friend and I wouldn't say a thing against her, but she is an awful cat."

Fast Track For Grand National

GOLDEN MILLER WANTS RAIN

PLENTY OF OPPOSITION

Aintree, March 28. Golden Miller's jockey wants plenty of overnight rain before the Grand National, which is to be run to-morrow. Golden Miller is favourite, but he carries over twenty pounds in handicap weight.

The present fast course might enable some of the others to stay better than they would under severe conditions. Golden Miller's rider says.

Trainer Anthony is not without hopes, having Thomond, the American entry, and Royal Hansem in the race. Thomond is second favourite.

All others will welcome a fast course and may their horses are good jumpers and stayers.—*Reuter.*

U.S. GOVERNMENT CUTS BORROWING

RAPID INCREASE IN CASH HOLDINGS

Washington, Mar. 28. The United States Government's money is increasing so rapidly that the Treasury has today announced that, as a temporary measure, Governmental borrowings will be cut in half from the beginning of next month.

The increase in money is attributed in the first place to rising revenues, and governmental expenditures being less than expected.

Another important factor in this connection is the making of payments by banks who are retiring national banknotes.—*United Press.*

U.S. SILK MILL CLOSES

PRICES REMAIN FAIRLY STEADY

New Bedford, Mass., Mar. 28. The Butler Mills here which employ over 850 people have been forced to close, for which they blame Japanese competition.

On the New York market silk prices were unchanged to one point lower and trading was very quiet.

The closeness of outside markets restricted business causing scattered selling.

Dealers and the trade bought but the market was unable to maintain the early gains.—*United Press.*

C.E.R. TRANSFER PROCEEDING

JAPANESE GRADUALLY TAKE OVER

Harbin, Mar. 28. The transfer of control of the Chinese Eastern Railway to the hands of the Manchukuo-Japanese authorities has been carried out smoothly and without any incident since the formal announcement of the transfer, except that the progress of the transfer on the western section is somewhat hindered by the sudden death of a Japanese engineer-in-charge.

All locomotives on the Railway have been manned by Japanese drivers while the majority of the posts of minor railway employees are given to Manchukuo natives.—*Central News.*

DAY BY DAY NEWS IN BRIEF

PEACE IS THE NATURAL HAPPY STATE OF MAN; WAR IS CORRUPTION AND DISGRACE.—*Thomson.*

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Magistrate this morning and were sentenced to six weeks' hard labour each. Detective-Sergeant P. Gould prosecuted and stated that the defendant, Chan Sum, was caught in the basement of the premises.

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OXFORD ROWING STRONGLY

BETTER TIME THAN CAMBRIDGE

PACED OVER COURSE

(Special to "Telegraph")

London, March 28. Oxford's crack eight-oar crew swept up the full course on a trial in the reverse direction of the Mortlake-Putney run to-day and in better time than that required by Cambridge a few days ago.

Oxford's time was 19 minutes 31 seconds and is rated a smart performance.

Cambridge had done the same stretch in 19 minutes 51 seconds, but unpaced, whereas Oxford was assisted by four crews, travelling in relays.

Conditions for the trial were almost ideal.

A feature of to-day's pull was the high rate of stroking, beginning at thirty-five to the minute and finishing at thirty-six. The stroke never dropped below thirty-two.—*Reuter Special.*

COTTON PRICES DROP AGAIN

NEW YORK, MAR. 28.

On the Cotton Exchange here to-day prices were lower, due to a late reaction that erased earlier recoveries.

The strength of the spot basis sustained the old crop months which closed about ten points above the lows. However, the new months were weak and closed only four points from the lows.

The Agricultural Adjustment Administration has estimated the 1935 cotton crop to be around 11,700,000 to 12,000,000 bales.—*United Press.*

THREE PROVINCES FIGHT FLOOD

LARGE SUM TO PUT DYKES IN ORDER

Kaifongku, Mar. 28.

In dealing with the emergency flood situation on the Yellow River, affecting three provinces, Hopei, Honan and Shantung, the Three Provinces Flood Prevention Committee held a meeting here to-day approving the appropriation of \$1,080,000 for the strengthening and repairing of the endangered dykes along the river.

The Committee also recommended that \$540,000 of the sum be granted by the Central Government, while the remainder be raised by the three provinces concerned.—*Central News.*

CHINESE EGGS IN AMERICA

EXPORT RESTRICTION PROTESTED

Nanking, March 29.

It is learned in local official circles that the Nanking Foreign Office has instructed Dr. Alfred Soe, Chinese Minister at Washington, to lodge a protest with the American Government against the restrictions imposed on the importation of Chinese eggs.

According to a message from the Chinese Legation at Washington, the matter is being taken up with the State Department and a satisfactory settlement of the case is expected shortly.—*Central News.*

ONE CASE OF SMALL-POX AND TWO CASES OF TYPHOID WERE REPORTED TO THE LOCAL HEALTH AUTHORITIES ON WEDNESDAY.

His Excellency Sir William Peel will preside at the sixth and last meeting of the English Association, which will be held in the Holms May Institute at 6.30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 2. His Honour the Chief Justice, Mr. A. D. A. MacGregor, will speak on "The Function of Law in Society."

On a charge of being found on enclosed premises on the second floor of No. 7 Wellington Street at 5.10 a.m. yesterday, for an unlawful purpose, Chan Wing, 30, unemployed, appeared before Mr. Macfadyen in the Central Police Court this morning and was fined \$25, or three weeks' imprisonment. Detective-Sergeant R. J. Clark stated that the premises were rented by the Hongkong Hotel as residence for the "boys". Yesterday morning one of the occupants discovered the defendant trying to twist the lock on a rattan basket. Defendant was a former employee at the Hotel.

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FIRE INSURANCE MEETING

A SATISFACTORY POSITION

FUTURE HOPES

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London, March 28. A very satisfactory position was disclosed in the 1934 report made by the Chairman (Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson) of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., at the annual general meeting of shareholders held at the offices of the General Managers (Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.), to-day at noon.

The Secretary (Mr. F. C. Hall) having read the notice convening the meeting, the Chairman said:—Gentlemen, the report and accounts having now been in your hands for the prescribed number of days, I propose, with your permission, to follow the customary procedure of taking them as read. Your General Managers and Consulting Committee are pleased to be able to place before you such a satisfactory account as that for the year 1934, now under review, the more particularly so when it is taken into consideration that the whole world is at present in a most perplexing state. Nothing is more sensitive to the expression than insurance, for it is to commerce, and we look for our revenue and conditions of "death" are quickly reflected in our accounts. That the outlook for 1935 is so favourable is due partly to the continued support of our many friends and partly to the fact that the percentage of profits was more than usually high; bumper results cannot be expected every year and a review of our past reports and accounts will show how prosperity appears to run in cycles.

These figures were issued by the Ministry of Transport to-day, and at the same time it was recalled that for the corresponding period of 1934 the road toll was much higher, being 128 killed and 3,345 injured.

It was a matter for comment, too, the Ministry stated, that there were 12 per cent. more vehicles on the roads this year compared with last.—*Reuter Special.*

During the more propitious times, we have taken the opportunity to strengthen our resources to the point where they now stand, which renders them more than adequate for the volume of business that we transact and which we find it most difficult to augment in these highly competitive times. In 1928, in 1929, and in 1930, this chair made an appeal to shareholders to afford the Company a full measure of their support. I now renew that appeal and ask for all the assistance you can give us.

The premium income for the year, now being considered, which stands at \$1,522,640.00, averaged but poorly with those for the five previous years, but this result is merely the natural sequence to poor trade and the higher exchange at which sterling has been taken for the purpose of our accounts as on the 31st December last; it is the highest since the close of the year 1928.

The ratio of losses works out at 41.32 per cent. as against 50.81 per cent. for the year 1932, while that for expenses fell from 47.54 per cent. to 46.4 per cent. for 1933; the percentage of profit resulting was 14.94 per cent.

Against the above-mentioned improvement in working results, I would call to your notice that, over the year 1934, interest, as compared with the previous year, and would explain that this is almost entirely due to the various loan conversions that have taken place at home and which have resulted in a shrinkage in our investment in sterling. There is likewise the factor of exchange which at 1/8½d, as against 1/5½d, has caused yet a further contraction in our sterling interest, when expressed in local currency, into 600,000 whereas securities has risen by over \$23,000.

The balance at credit of the Working Account for 1934 is \$628,214.01, an increase of \$32,743.82 over the carry forward for 1933, after twelve months working. It is early yet to venture an opinion as to the ultimate result of this Account but, given normal conditions, we have every reason to hope that it will prove to be satisfactory.

The surplus to be dealt with at this meeting is \$627,223.73, the balance of Account 1933, and we now recommend the payment of a dividend of \$10 per share, together with a bonus of \$1, making in all \$11 per share, which will absorb \$440,000; the appropriation of \$100,000 to Silver Reserve and the balance of \$87,223.73 to Reinsurance Fund.

In making this recommendation with regard to the continuation of the payment of a bonus of \$1 per share (it can no longer be termed an "Exchange" Bonus) your General Managers and Committee, have felt that as the year 1933 has turned out so satisfactorily, it is only equitable that the Shareholders should participate; however, they wish it to be quite clearly understood that should exchange continue to rise and business to fall away, there can be no alternative but to discontinue this additional \$1.

All the reserves are in a sound position, as will be seen from a comparison of the balance sheet with those of former years. The assets as expressed in sterling show an increase of close on \$200,000 whereas in local currency there is a decrease of approximately \$400,000, this latter being the result of the rise in exchange of which I have already made mention.

I trust you will approve of the usual bonus of 15 per cent. on their salaries, being granted to members of the staff, who have worked well during the year.

I do not think there is anything further which calls for special mention by me. I have already referred to the conditions under which we are now working, but we have experienced the best of the year and must hope for better things in the future, as life to-day without a "leavening" of Raymond.

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REDUCING HIGHWAY DEATHS

SPEED LIMIT A FACTOR

FEWER HURT IN BRITAIN

(Special to "Telegraph")

London, March 28. The first week of the thirty-mile an hour speed limit in London's built up areas has resulted in a decrease in casualties.

The difference is not very great, but it is definitely there.

In this first week 100 persons were killed in highway accidents and 2,851 were injured. This latter figure is one of the lowest ever recorded since the days of fast motor travel commenced.

The week previous, before the speed limit came into force, 108 persons were killed and 2,870 were injured.

These figures were issued by the Ministry of Transport to-day, and at the same time it was recalled that for the corresponding period of 1934 the road toll was much higher, being 128 killed and 3,345 injured.

It was a matter for comment, too, the Ministry stated, that there were 12 per cent. more vehicles on the roads this year compared with last.—*Reuter Special.*

Hauptmann's Appeal Set

WILL BE HEARD IN LATE JUNE

Tronton, N.J., March 28.

Bruno Hauptmann's appeal will be heard on June 20, according to an announcement made to-day.

Hauptmann, condemned to die in the electric chair for the murder of the infant son of Col. and Mrs. Charles Lindbergh, is still housed in the death cells here, within sight of the door of the execution chamber, through which he has seen in recent days his incarceration.—*Reuter.*

B.B.C.'S NEW CHAIRMAN

LORD BRIDGEMAN APPOINTED

London, March 28.

The Prime Minister announced in the House of Commons that Viscount Bridgeman had been appointed Chairman of the British Broadcasting Corporation in place of Mr. J. H. Whitley, who died last month.

Lord Bridgeman has been a member of the Board of Governors of the Corporation since 1933.

Mr. H. A. L. Fisher has now been appointed to the vacancy on the Board. Mr. Fisher is Warden of New College, Oxford. He was Minister of Education from 1916 to 1922.—*British Wireless.*

optimism would be quite impossible. After the resolution, which I am now about to propose, has been duly seconded, I shall be pleased to answer, to the best of my ability, any questions which shareholders may wish to ask. I now propose the following resolution:—"That the report and accounts, as presented, including the payment of a dividend of \$10 and of a bonus of \$1, making in all \$11 per share, an addition to the Silver Reserve of \$100,000, the transfer of \$87,223.73 to the credit of Reinsurance Fund, and the payment to the staff of 15 per cent. upon their salaries, be adopted and passed."

The report and accounts were seconded by Mr. D. V. Stevenson, and adopted.

OTHER BUSINESS

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HONGKONG'S OFFICIAL RANKING LIST FOR 1934

LEE WAI TONG AS MENTOR

Gives Fincher Lesson In Tennis Courcraft WINS BRILLIANTLY IN CHAMPIONSHIP

(By "Veritas")

Lee Wai-tong touched peak form to dispose of Teddy Fincher in the third round of the open singles championship on the stand court yesterday. There was nothing fluky about Lee's win obtained in straight sets with the loss of four games. He not only outpointed the K. C. C. champion but gave him a lesson in tactical tennis and court-craft.

Critics do not like to admit being surprised, but I must confess I was genuinely astonished at Lee's highly polished display. He didn't play Fincher on Fincher's reputation, but on his merits, and it cannot be said that Teddy's merits were particularly prominent.

I was vividly reminded of Fincher's match last year with Tam Yoc-fong, when the Hanoi youngster walked round his experienced opponent and lured him into committing the most atrocious blunders.

Lee did the same thing yesterday. Varied pace and direction skillfully disguised had Fincher tied up in knots and forced him into last minute shots which generally found the net or cleared the baselines.

WHY FINCHER PLAYED BADLY

That Fincher was several degrees below normal form can be made as a statement of fact; but the reason for this was chiefly Lee Wai-tong, who took such a firm grip on the game from the start that he was able to dictate terms throughout. Fincher's errors and his generally undistinguished play were reactions, not so much to his own temperament, as to Lee's brilliant tactics.

It is doubtful whether Lee Wai-tong has ever before played quite so well, and his performance was all the more meritorious in that conditions were far from pleasant. The light was shocking and the court, although playing quite true, was soft and nullified driving.

One could not discern a single weakness in Lee's stroke equipment. His shots were produced without effort and his anticipation so keen that he always appeared to have plenty of time in which to make the strokes.

He supported good length cut drives on both hands with some perfectly placed drop shots both off the ground and on the volley. His volleying, in fact, was the biggest surprise. He obtained a wonderful angle on most of the shots and tucked away Fincher's drives down the lines with the greatest of ease. His strong top-spin service was a big asset for it continually forced Fincher out of the court and permitted Lee to take the net for a winning coup on the volley.

TACTIC ADMISSION OF DEFEAT

On such form Lee is going to be a very worthy opponent for S. A. Rumjahn and their quarter-final match should offer some high-spot tennis. Before the first set had finished Fincher had tacitly admitted Lee's superiority by his own

casual efforts. He was quite unable to anticipate Lee's short shots, and being continually out-positioned had the effect of demoralising Fincher's strokes. For instance his service apart from the second game of the first set was unusually ineffective and off the ground he mistimed so persistently that he put a succession of balls outside of the court.

Further evidence of Fincher's loss of confidence was to be seen in his net work. He made mistakes which rarely appear in his game and when he did clear the net he could not get the ball away, but found Lee returning the shots with interest.

It was Fincher at his unhappy. Unexpectedly easy successes were also gained in the two other third round matches played on outside courts.

RICKETTS WINS IN CANTER

G.R.M. Ricketts had Y. W. Lee, a promising player at his mercy, right through and won in a canter 6-0, 6-1. Lee tried to force the game by raising the net, but he timed his advances very badly and Ricketts' neat passing shots beat the G.R.C. player every time.

Ricketts had so much in hand in this match that it was difficult to tell exactly how strong he is at the moment, but it certainly looks as though he is going to figure in the semi-final again this year.

Well as Leonard played against Liang yesterday, I doubt if he will be able to withstand the more consistent and faster Ricketts.

Leonard won with ridiculous ease against Liang. The Chinese did practically nothing else but net the ball, his ground strokes completely deserting him. Nevertheless it is to Leonard's credit that he played his best game of the tournament to date. He found he could beat Liang quite well from the baseline, his driving on both hands being strong and wonderfully accurate. The play never reached dazzling heights, but Leonard certainly came out with full honours and it would be foolish to deny his chances of making the semi-final.

Full scores of the three matches were:

OPEN SINGLES	
Third Round	
Lee Wai-tong	beat E. C. Fincher 6-1, 6-3
G.R.M. Ricketts	beat Y. W. Lee 6-0, 6-1
J. W. Leonard	beat S. W. Liang 6-1, 6-1



Tsui Wai-pui and Tam Yoc-fong ranked No. 1 and No. 2 respectively in the official L.T.A. ranking list issued to-day.

H. E. TO ATTEND TENNIS

EXHIBITION AT H.K.C.C.

Japanese Players' Arrive

His Excellency the Governor (Sir William Peel) has announced his intention of being present at to-day's exhibition tennis on the stand court of the Hongkong Cricket Club, when the two Japanese Davis Cup players, Hideo Nishimura and Jiro Yamagishi will appear.

The visitors arrived by the N.Y.K. Maru at daylight this morning. Both are feeling very fit and are eagerly anticipating to-day's game. They have expressed their willingness to play according to the schedule mapped out by the Lawn Tennis Association which is as follows:

At 4.15, Yamagishi and E. C. Fincher v. Nishimura and Tsui

L.T.A. ANNUAL MEETING

POSTPONED UNTIL NEXT THURSDAY

It is announced by the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association that owing to unforeseen circumstances it is now impossible to hold the Annual Meeting of the Association on Tuesday next as arranged.

The meeting will now take place in the Sports Club, King's Building, on Thursday next, April 4, at 5.30 p.m., when the President (Mr. Justice Lindell) will be in the chair.

Wai-pui (one set) followed by Yamagishi v. Nishimura (two sets), and

Yamagishi and Nishimura v. S.A. and H.D. Rumjahn (best of three sets).

There are still a certain number of reserved seats which can be booked before 3 o'clock to-day. The booking plan is at Messrs. Moutrie, and seats are \$1 including tax.

Manila, Mar. 28. Senior Regino, Secretary of the Philippine Amateur Athletic Federation and Senior Ylanan, Treasurer, sailed by the Cordillera for Hongkong, Shanghai and Japan, to arrange various international competitions on behalf of Filipino Teams.—United Press.

LEADING POSITIONS CHANGE HANDS

MRS. KAYLL AND TSUI WAI PUI

HEAD THE LISTS

(By "Veritas")

The official ranking lists of the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association issued to-day finds two new names at the head of the men's and women's rankings.

Tsui Wai-pui by virtue of winning the singles title of the Colony last year tops the men's list and Mrs. Kayll, present ladies' champion is given No. 1 position.

Several new names appear in both lists, while quite a number of players ranked last year have moved up in the lists.

In the ladies, Miss R. Hancock, ranked fifth a year ago now earns a second place, while Miss Madge Griffiths, 1934 runner-up in the singles championships has advanced from No. 7 to joint No. 3 with Mrs. Chiu Chun-chiu. Mrs. Litton, Mrs. Tottenham, Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Bryan and Miss Olive Danziel do not appear in the current list, but Miss Alison Mackenzie, the K.C.C. player is given No. 6 position. Both Mrs. Litton and Mrs. Wilson appear under the heading of "Insufficient Data".

Tsui Wai-pui and Tam Yoc-fong, having last year contested the final of the open singles natural, occupy the first and second positions respectively. Tam deserves his promotion from No. 10 to No. 2 by reason of his performances in the open championships when he beat in turn E. C. Fincher, Lai Kwong-tsun and Ho Ka-lau.



Ho Ka-lau, another focal ranking player who figures prominently in the current list.

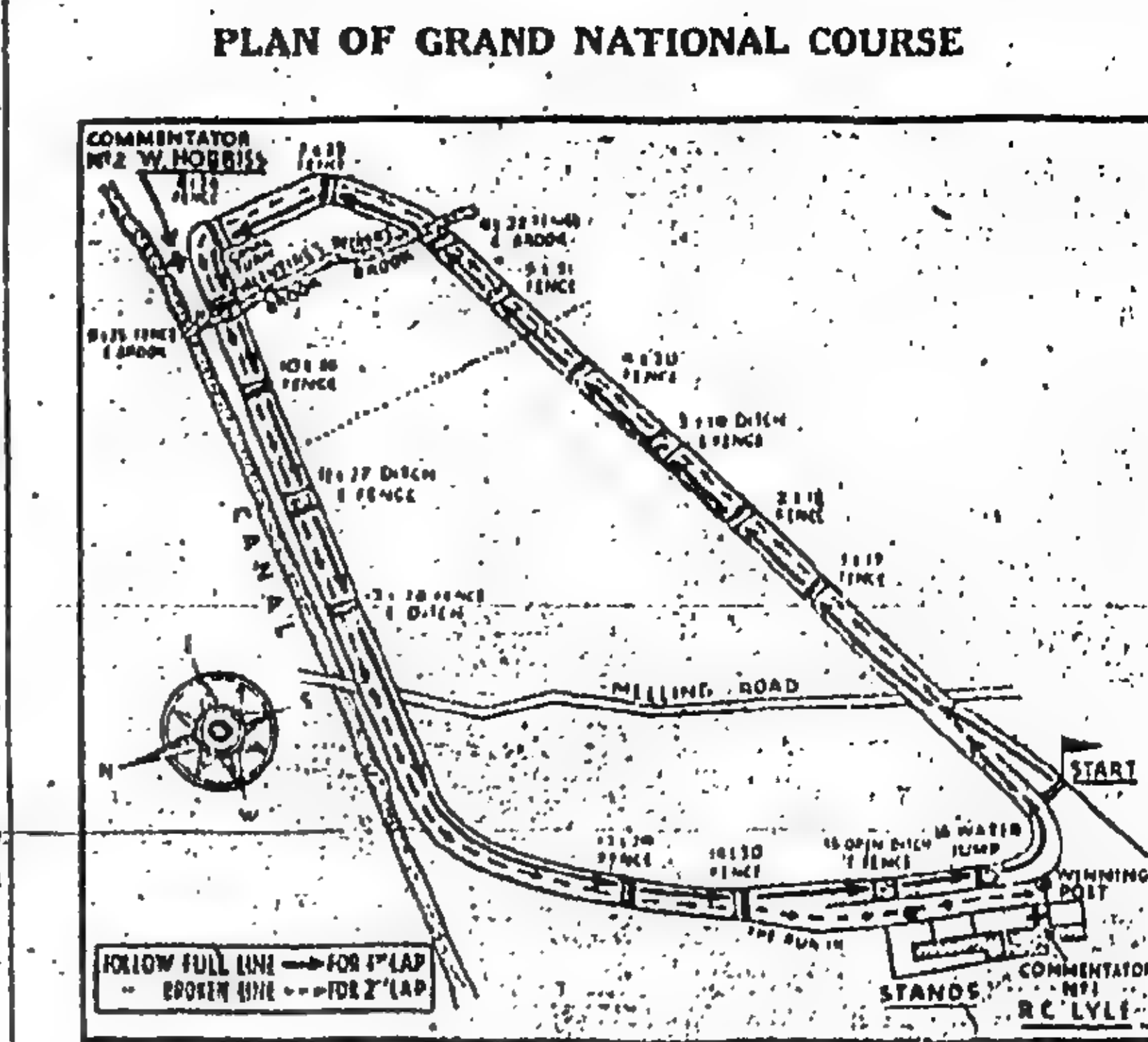
Lai Kwong-tsun the Canton champion finds a place at No. 5 with Ho Ka-lau on the strength of his defeat of S. A. Rumjahn in the open championship, while G.R.M. Ricketts also figures in the current list at No. 8.

W.A.H. Duff unfortunately had to leave the Colony before the conclusion of the championship and his name appears under "Insufficient Data".

This year's official ranking lists are appended, the figures in brackets indicating their rankings last year.

MEN
1. Tsui Wai-pui (2)
2. Tam Yoc-fong (10)
3. S. A. Rumjahn (1)
4. Ho Ka-lau (3)
5. Lai Kwong-tsun (—)
6. E. C. Fincher (4)
7. G.R.M. Ricketts (—)
8. M. W. Lo (6)
9. L. Goldman (11)
10. W. C. Hung (9)
11. J. W. Leonard (—)
12. Y. Hachluma (13)
13. Tsui Yun-pui (—)
14. A.E.P. Guest (13)

INSUFFICIENT DATA
W.A.H. DUFF
LADIES
1. Mrs. Kayll (—)



This is a plan of the course at Aintree near Liverpool, where the Grand National will be run to-day.

Twelfth-Hour National Probable

POWELL TO RIDE SOUTHERN HUE

London, March 28. A twelfth-hour alteration in the probable starters and jockeys for the Grand National was announced to-day. Powell is expected to ride Southern Hue.

FINAL ACCEPTORS

Final acceptors, and jockeys, for the Grand National to-morrow, were announced to-day as follows:
Golden Miller (Wilson)
Thornhill (Speck)
Royal Ransom (Hamey)
Reynoldstown (Mr. Furlong)
Southern Hero (Fawcus)
Brienz (Kidney)
Really True (Morgan)
Bachelor Prince (O'Grady)
Castle Irwell (Mr. Bostwick)
Allybrack (Mr. Tweedie)
Alexona (Capt. Payne-Gallwey)
Blue Prince (Farwin)
Brave Cry (Mr. Lewis)
Emancipator (Mr. Cazelet)
Fouquet (Brown)
Hutchinson (Mr. Marsh)
Jimmy James (Nicholson)
Lazzy Boots (Owen)
Master Orange (Mr. Midway)
Princess Mir (Mr. Jackson)
Red Park (Fitzgerald)
Slater (Maxwell)
Southern Hue (McKeever)
Tapinois (Gurney)
Trocadero (Gullinan)
Theresa (Cary)
Uncle Batt (Lisao).

—Rout.

TWO, AND YOU'VE CROSSED THE LINE

—REFEREE

"Aye, & He's Double-Crossed Me!"

—RECE

London, Feb. 26. Tom Newman and Tom Reece began their heat in the sealed handicap tournament at Thurston's yesterday and very entertaining match it should be.

Reece has the idea that he is in the running for the Gold Cup, and he may not be far wrong, for it is certain that he has been given a jaxish start.

As the two players were about to start for break Reece remarked to Newman: "I suppose you are a hot favourite—but, after all, Colombo lost the Derby." To which Newman retorted: "Yes, but my name is not Colombo. They won't say 'the favourite is beaten' this week."

Owing to the illness of Charles Chambers the duties of controlling the match have been taken over by Arthur Goudrell, the one-armed referee.

Arthur has a habit of saying, when a player conforms to the bank-line rule—crossing the bank-line once in every 200 points—"You have crossed the line, sir." Tom Reece kept on crossing the line every few minutes, and at last he said: "If I keep on crossing the line like this I'll soon be in Australia."

A little later Reece set up a clever safety move, but Newman broke through with a brilliant shot. "Two!" called Goudrell, "and you have crossed the line, sir."

"Aye, and he's double-crossed me," said Reece.

Newman was so tickled that he could not concentrate and broke down at once.

2. Miss R. Hancock (5)
3. Miss M. Griffiths (7)
4. Mrs. Chiu Chun-chiu (4)
5. Mrs. Grimble (4)
6. Miss A. Mackenzie (—)
INSUFFICIENT DATA
Mrs. Litton
Mrs. Wilson

HOME FOOTBALL

BOTTOM OF LEAGUE

WOODEN-SPOON FOR SPURS?

AMAZING DEFEAT BY LEICESTER

London, Mar. 28. Tottenham Hotspur suffered an extraordinary thrashing in a first division league match when they visited Leicester who were languishing at the bottom of the table and were beaten by six goals to nil.

As a result the Spurs take over the wooden-spoon position, Leicester climbing one position on the strength of a better goal-average. At the same time Leicester can draw further away as they have a game in hand of the Spurs.

This was Tottenham's 18th of the season and so far they have scored but 25 points from 35 matches and have conceded 78 goals.

The London team have only seven more games in which to pull themselves from the relegation zone.

The present records of the last half a dozen teams in the first division are:

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Portsmouth	34	11	8	15	67	60	30
Wolves	34	11	7	16	69	76	29
Middlesbrough	34	11	12	14	60	70	28
Birmingham	33	11	6	16	45	65	28
Leicester	34	10	6	18	48	72	25
Tottenham	35	8	9	18	43	78	25

SIR S. JACKSON TO RETIRE

P. F. Warner Chief Of Selectors?

It is understood that there will be a change in the chairmanship of the Cricket Selection Committee this year. Last year Sir Stanley Jackson was chairman, but it is unlikely that he will continue during the com-

LINCOLNS TO PLAY SOUTH CHINA

RE-ARRANGED FIXTURE FOR SUNDAY

Mr. Manning Ralston, hon. secretary Hongkong Football Association this morning announced that an additional first division match will be played on Sunday, the Lincoln v. South China "A" game originally arranged for April 21 having been brought back.

The game will be played at Soekunpo, kick-off at 4.30. There is also an alteration in the venue for one of the third division matches on Sunday. The R.E. v. R.A.F. encounter will now be played at Canham Road.

ing season. Several names have been mentioned, but it is thought that when the Board of Control meet this month to choose the 1935 committee Mr. P. F. Warner will be elected.

informed the Federation about the matches owing to pressure of time, but he would do so at the earliest possible moment. With regard to Kuo's participation he only presumed that Kuo would be glad to get some practice from the Nipponese racket-wielders.

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H. K. & SIR JULIEN CAHN'S OFFER FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES IN THE WAY

Champions v. The Rest Comment; The Resuscitation Of C.S.S.C.

(By R. Abbot)

There was, alas, no cricket on Saturday last, but the one bright spot about it is that it has given me a bit of space to hark back to the week before to several points which I had wished to mention but which were crowded out by lack of space.

In the first place, I think that the side selected to play for the Hong Kong against the H.K.C.C. was a very sound one, always remembering that there were a couple of League matches on.

I have an idea that Richardson was asked but could not get off as he was skipping the C.S.C.C. In any case, on his form this year I doubt if he was worth his place. He has been thoroughly out of luck, and also off form.

We have not yet seen the best of him as a batsman, but when the time comes (if it ever does), that the C.S.C.C. have a batting side and Richardson does not feel that the whole thing rests on his shoulders I fancy he will rise to much greater heights of success.

Of course, Garthwaite would have been in the Rest side but for his League game. Presumably Bonavia and Ballard were also non-releasable men as either of them had a better claim than Walsh, dangerous but, though the latter is at times.

I confess I should have liked to see Tinker Lee in the Rest side, but he may have been asked for all I know, but I don't see how he could have got in unless Madar, who was away most of the season, had stood down for him.

SIGNS OF HOPE

It was interesting to turn out once again for the 'Civil Service' for whom I played my first match in the first eleven in 1915. Until this season I had played pretty regularly and twenty years is a long time. I mention this in passing, not as a record in any way, for T. E. Penrice and G. R. Sayer, who started before I did, are still going strong and many other local cricketers have played over much longer periods. But nineteen seasons is quite a long time, especially if you played Rugby before you started cricket, and it is lack of new blood from which the Civil Service has suffered.

Until only a season or two ago E. B. Reed, P. J. J. Jones, B. D. Evans and A. G. Wood had been turning out year after year, and in regard to the meaning of the word, a "hardy perennial" cannot bloom on a season after season for ever. And, unfortunately, there has been a sad lack of good youngsters to follow on.

NEW 'PROMISES'

But there are now distinct hopes for the future. R. M. Wood has come on very much as a wicket-keeper and has started to make runs quickly when he gets going. McEldan will be a great addition to the bowling strength, while he and R. H. Griffiths will do much to stiffen the batting.

The fielding has much improved and I am quite hopeful about the next season. But it would not come unless if several members of the side read a bit of cricket. I personally don't know any better chapter on the Art of Fielding than that in Ranji's "Jubilee Book of Cricket."

SUNDAY'S LEAGUE GAME

The I. H. C. came back to their pristine form when they defeated the R.A.M.C. on Sunday last in a Junior Division League Match. Y. Arculli and A. M. Rumjahn put on well over a hundred runs for the fourth wicket and were still undefeated. The declaration at 107 was a sound one and respect the reward it deserved. The Medicals were out for a hundred and thirty, though Howells (57), Bonavia (28) and Saunders (25) made gallant efforts to save the game. Two run-out tragedies occurred, and probably had a decisive effect on the result of the game.

SIR JULIEN CAHN

The recent visit of Sir Julien Cahn to the Colony was very interesting.

A very wealthy man, Sir Julien runs his own cricket team which could give a very good game to most of the first class counties, other than those in the first flight. Robins, Peebles, and many other well known Varsity and first-rank Club cricketers get a chance to play.

The talk of his coming here is most interesting but one cannot possibly consider the question seriously until one knows upon what financial basis the matter rests. Judging from a letter which I have seen in a morning contemporary, I cannot help thinking that the public have a totally erroneous idea of the expense involved in the visit even of a team who pay their own passages, and are merely entertained in the Colony.

I think I am right in saying that, in spite of the fact that practically all the visitors are put up by private individuals here, the expenses of a triangular Interport series of games amounts to between two and three thousand.

Moreover owing to various circumstances, there is no possibility of covering a large amount of expenditure by the profits of gate-money. It is possible to charge for admission to the stands only on the H.K.C.C. ground, and I am pretty sure that there is a negligible balance left when the cost of erection has been paid for.

In these hard times the question of finance must be considered most carefully, and in many cases those who have given most generously in the past, have been most heavily hit by the depression. It must be remembered too that in all probability there will be an Interport here in November next for which we shall have to make provision. But everyone hopes that some sort of an arrangement may be reached.

THE NOTTS CLUB

Talking of Sir Julien naturally reminds one of the rumour in the Nottingham Cricket Club. I do not propose to enter into the question of whether Voce was or was not justified in bowling as he did.

But I read all accounts very carefully and what really seems to have got the people's goat was the attempt of the committee to deceive everyone. Had they had the interior to say that they thought Voce was bowling at the man and stood him down accordingly, their action, though unpopular would have merited the respect due to decision and honesty.

But to try and fob people off with the yarn that Voce was crooked, and to fall to get away with it—for Voce promptly denied it—was just asking for trouble. And they got it. It precipitated a first class row, and the Committee were, more or less, sacked.

However, it seems that a lot of the influential people in the County have identified themselves with the old Committee—chiefly I think because they approved of their attitude towards Voce, yet not of their methods of showing it! Anyway, it seems the opposition have receded from their attitude for the sake of peace, and that a compromise will be reached. In the mean time, I have not seen any cables of protest about Wyatt's broken jaw. He, at least, is not a feather-bed cricketer.

THE WEST INDIES TOUR

And that again reminds me, several people have commented to me on the fact that our team has lost its rubber in the West Indies. It is in no way a soul-shattering occurrence. The team was known to be fairly weak, and one of the great objects was to give some of the younger players experience of big-match cricket. The West Indies have a very strong team, and I fancy that Headley, Constantine and Martindale have such ability that would qualify them for a place in either an English or an Australian representative Test team.

It was merely a question of skill. At the same time, I do think that English cricket is not very good at present. I don't mean that there is anything to howl about. If one looks back for a great number of years it is clear that the standard of cricket in all countries over those years is represented by a series of upward and downward curves, and not by a horizontal line. So in the lower curve there is no reason to be depressed, any more than there is to be cheery when on the crest of the curve.

TO-MORROW'S GAMES

The game is still waiting here. Cricketers are at home to the I.H.C. in their belated Senior League match. I fancy Pereira, Minu and Madar will be a bit too good for the Valley side but I would not invest more than ten cents on it.

The other game if there are fully representative sides out—should be most interesting, as Kowloon are at home to H.K.C.C. in a two-day game. In the circumstances it is lucky the Kwant meeting is off, and I suggest a vote of thanks to whatever gallant member of the Garrison hit that mule.

In the Junior Division Police play R.A.M.C. in the League. I'm not sure if the C.C.C. and I.H.C. reverse game is on or not. Recreation should play the Sappers, but I hear this latter side has withdrawn from the League. C.S.C.C. are at home to Queen's College. I also assume the H.K.C.C. game vs. R.E. on 31st is off.

In my notes on Friday I hope to outline arrangements for publication Club records. I have written to the various Secretaries and have to thank the Army for a most prompt reply.

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STARTING TIMES FOR SUNDAY

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10.04 T. C. Monaghan, T. B. Purves
10.08 H. Hampton, W. Paterson
10.12 J. L. Adams, P. S. Grant
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10.20 G. C. Worrall, E. Bathurst
10.24 H. E. Bailey, R. C. Webb
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11.00 J. Hunter, E. MacMahon
11.04 T. R. Chasels, R. L. Moncrieff
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BI-ANNUAL RACE NEXT MONTH

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LAST WEEK'S RACES REVIEWED

SEVERAL UPSETS BUT SOME VERY ENTERTAINING SPORT

(By "Captain Foster")

In spite of the inclement weather, the races at Happy Valley last Saturday afternoon were well patronized, and the prizes in the Cash Sweep well maintained.

Naturally with the course in a heavy state, upsets were many, but, contrary to expectations, no sensational dividend in the "Pari" was paid out, the highest being \$60.50 on the ever-green Boxing Eve in the Taiwan Bay Handicap.

The first upset of the afternoon occurred in the opening race, the Commonwealth Handicap, in which Monoplane (Mr. Y. T. Fung) won easily from Jungle Jim (Mr. Liang) and The Tiger (Mr. Frost).

In spite of repeated failures Double Chance (Mr. P. P. Botelho) was made favourite for the Union Plate and confidence in him was not misplaced. He won comfortably by two lengths from The Deamster (Mr. Butler) with High Principle (Mr. Roza) a length further away.

Another favourite, King's Jubilee (Mr. Frost) won the Hong Kong Handicap by beating Ribble (Mr. Phi) after a very good race by a length and a half. Rose-Queen (Mr. P. P. Botelho) finished third.

SECOND UPSET

The second upset took place in the Rosehill Handicap, Snowy River (Mr. Phi) literally ran away with the race and finished most impressively. Woodland Stag (Mr. Frost) was four lengths in the rear to occupy second place, with Mutiny Bay (Mr. Davis) half a length further away. Alacrity was a non-starter.

Propitious Time (Mr. Neugebauer) cleverly won the Dominion Handicap from Invermark (Mr. Phi) and The Chetah (Mr. Frost). This was the second best race seen during the afternoon and the issue was in doubt until about ten yards from the winning post. Sel-Fa ran most prominently and, in my opinion, would have won had he kept a straight course, instead of boring out and finishing under the judge's box.

The Colonial Stakes also produced a thrilling finish, Elrit (Mr. Frost) getting the verdict by a short head from Ythan (Mr. Phi), Soldier of Victory (Mr. Dietz) finished third.

Another fine effort on the part of Mr. Frost on Pontiac Bay saw him win the Empire Handicap by a short head from High Honour (Mr. Roza). Gold Coin (Mr. Dietz) secured the third place, two lengths away.

PICK OF THE DAY

Undoubtedly the best finish of the afternoon was seen in the Mrs. Bay Stakes. The field consisted of six ponies and we saw an exciting race over the last two furlongs. Heznan (Mr. Butler) appeared to be a great force at the mile post and King's Fancy (Mr. Frost) seemed to have the race won when, about fifty yards from the winning

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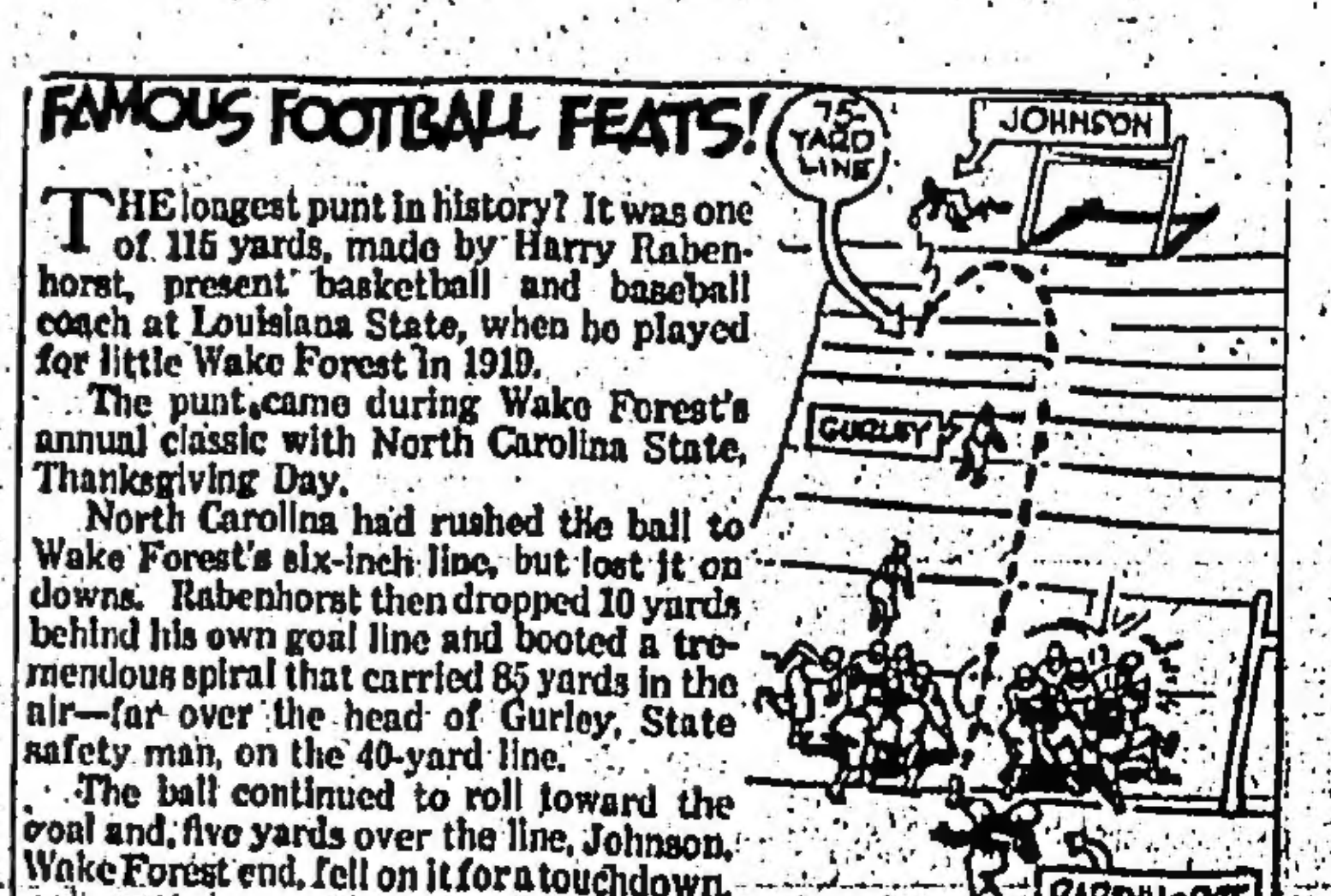
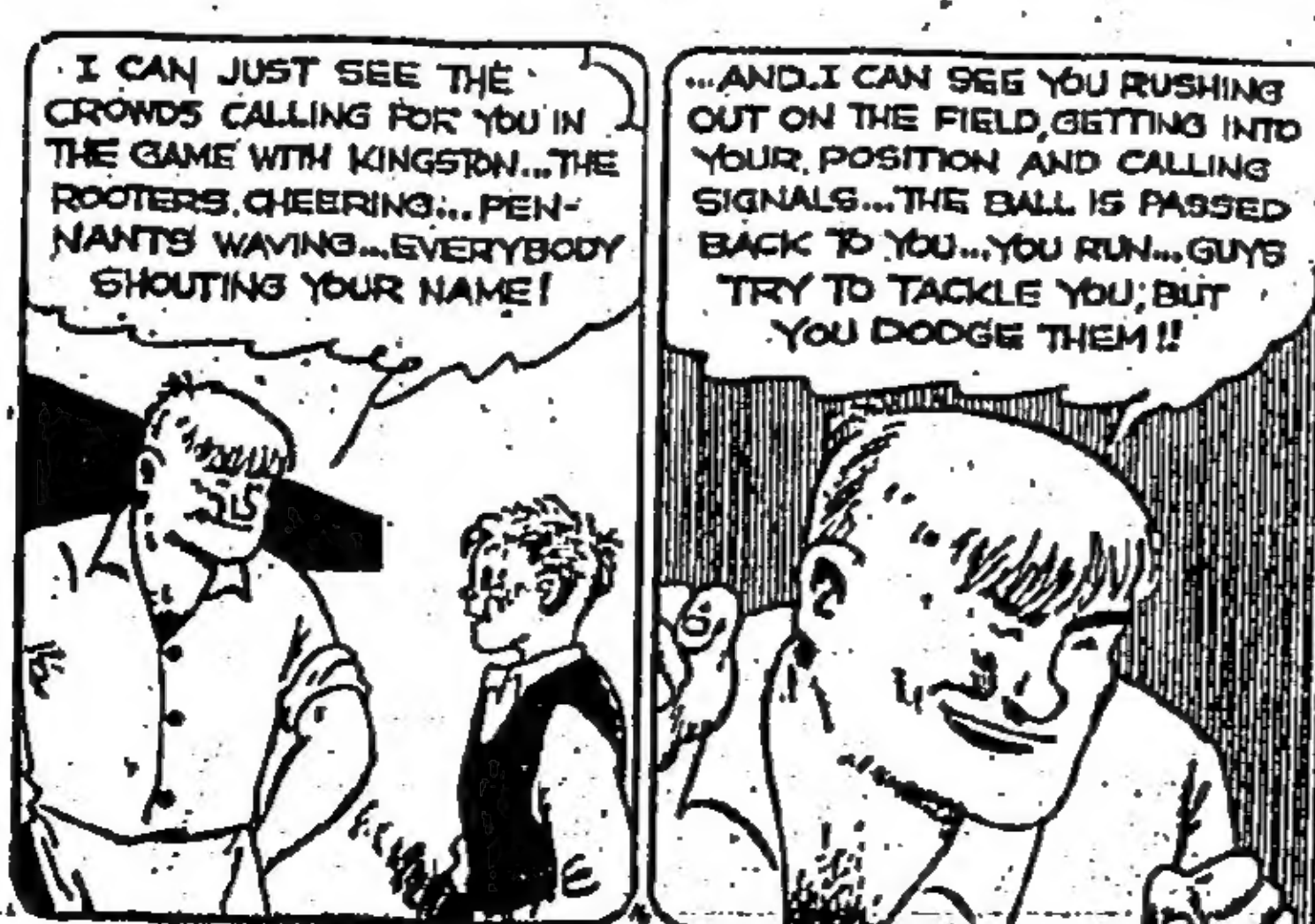
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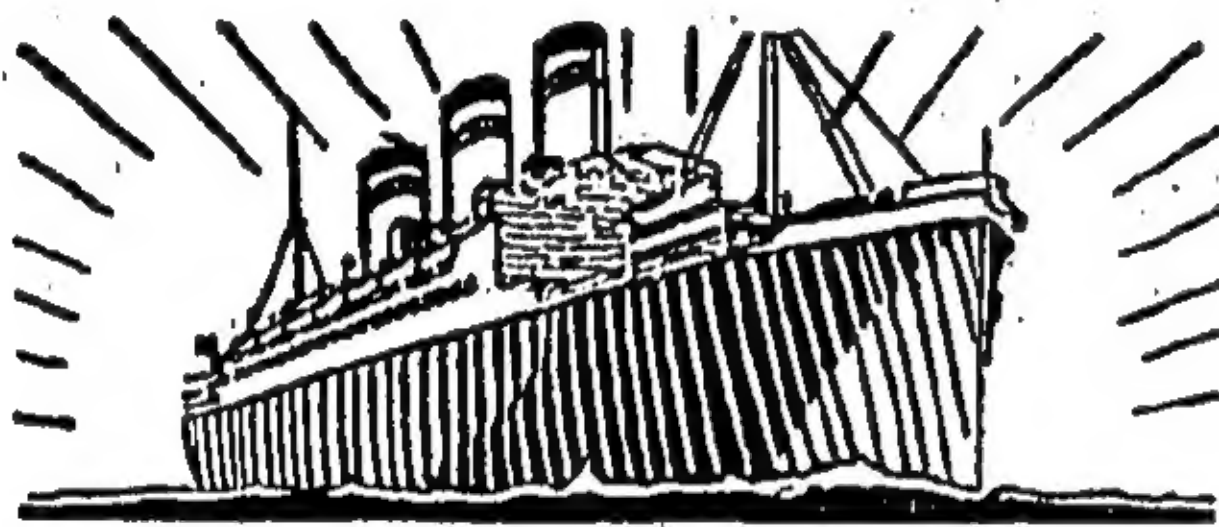
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SERIAL STORY—

SILKEN SPINDLES

by Laura Lu Brockman

CHAPTER XXVIII

The crowd shuffled out of the movie theatre, stopping to look at posters announcing next week's show, girls peering to catch a glimpse of themselves in the narrow mirror panels at either side of the entrance, to powder noses, and dab on rouge, chattering and laughing; young men who spoke in deeper tones, pausing to light cigarettes and jam hats on firmly. There were older people and some children—a nondescript crowd, the usual patrons of the Strand where pictures were exhibited which, six or eight weeks earlier, had been shown in the larger theatres in the more brightly lighted section of the town.

Steve Meyers looked down on Gale as they stepped out on the sidewalk. "Wasn't such a bad picture, was it?" he asked.

"Oh, I liked it. That girl who was 'Kathy' is a new star, isn't she? I've never seen her before. And didn't she look beautiful? A couple—small girl in a bright red hat and rather dowdy fur coat and a tall youth—had just halted before the glass cage where tickets were sold. Gale heard the girl laugh and turning recognized Ruby Griffith before she knew it was Phil beside her. A moment later the two disappeared inside the theatre.

Steve asked, "What was that you were saying?"

"About the picture? Oh, I don't know—it doesn't matter anyhow. That was Phil with Ruby Griffith. Did you see them?"

"Yes." They walked in silence for a few moments. Then Steve said, "I wish you wouldn't worry the way you do about Phil."

"How can I help it? You see the sort of company he seems to prefer—Ruby Griffith and her crowd. You know what they're like. And he comes home at all hours of the night and morning. It's only within the last six months or so that he's been like this."

"Worrying isn't going to do any good."

"No, I don't suppose it will. But what can I do, Steve?"

"Leave him alone. Phil's smart enough to take care of himself. The trouble is you're used to looking out for him. You still think of him as a little boy."

"But he's only 10—"

"That's not so young. It would be a lot better for Phil if you'd give him a chance to stand on his own feet. You do too much for him."

"Maybe you're right."

"Of course I am! You want to do too much for everyone, Gale. You're always forgetting about yourself, trying to do something for someone else."

"But I'm not! I don't do half the things I should."

"I wish you'd let me do them for you."

"Steve—"

"Oh, I'm not going to say any more. I promised I wouldn't and I'll keep that promise. You said you couldn't marry anyone now. But there's one thing I want to ask you. When you were away at school—well, you must have known lots of other fellows. Is there anyone else, Gale?"

"You mean—"

"Is there anyone else you're in love with?"

Gale was glad she did not have to meet his eyes. She knew exactly how those blue eyes looked. She turned away, surprised that her heart was beating so rapidly. She wished it wouldn't. Steve was waiting for her to answer and there was only one answer to give. You certainly couldn't count a man you'd met only three or four times and then purely by accident, even though he had said, "I like you, Gale Henderson. I like you a lot." You couldn't count a man you were never going to see again.

Gale said, "There's no one else, Steve. No one."

He put a hand on her arm, drew her close. His voice had an edge of huskiness. "Then I can go on sup-

ing," he said. "Oh, Gale, if you only knew how I feel about you—I"

"You promised," she reminded him.

"Yes, I know. I promised."

He began talking about something that had happened at the mill. Five minutes later they had reached Gale's home.

"You'll come in, won't you?" she asked.

"Not to-night. Going to be home to-morrow evening?"

"I think so."

"Then I'll drop around."

They said good night and Gale went inside the house. Her father was in the kitchen, fumbling about an open cupboard.

"Hello," he said. "Thought I'd like a little something hot to drink. Is there some tea here somewhere?"

"In that square box," Gale told him. "But sit down—I'll make it for you."

She filled the kettle and put it over the fire to boil, got out cups and saucers and a loaf of bread.

"Where's Steve?" her father asked.

"He went out."

Her father watched as Gale cut the bread and placed it on a plate, set out butter and a bottle of milk. "You and Steve haven't been having any arguments, have you?" he asked.

"No."

Tom Henderson studied his daughter's face. She was certainly thinner than she had been. He did not say anything more until the tea was made and Gale had poured out two cups and sat down before one of them. Then he said, "I've been thinking about you this evening, Gale. I wish you didn't have to work the way you do."

"Nonsense!"

"It isn't nonsense. It's too much for you, doing all you do at home and working at the mill besides."

"Father, what in the world put such ideas in your head?"

"My own eyes have done it—seeing you look so tired when night comes and growing thinner. I can't help worrying about you, Gale. You ought to be married and settled in your own home. When your mother was your age—"

"But things are different now!"

"I know. But that doesn't make them any better. I've lived my life and some of these days I'm going to be gone."

"Father, please—"

"It's better to face things calmly. Gale—better to talk about them. I'm not afraid of dying. A man couldn't be who lives as I do, a burden to the ones he loves. No, I'm not afraid to die, but I wish I could know you were going to be happy and safe. I don't worry about Phil; he's a boy and he can take care of himself. You think you can, too, but there's more to life than you realize. I

don't like to leave you with no one to look out for you."

Gale had risen from her chair and slipped an arm around his shoulders.

"Don't, father!" she begged. "I can't bear to hear you say such things! You aren't going to leave us—not for a long, long time."

He smiled. "Perhaps not. Still, I'd feel more comfortable to know things were going to be all right for you. I'd rather hope that you and Steve—"

He raised his eyes, letting them finish the question.

"Steve's been an awfully good friend," Gale said. "I'm fond of him. But I don't want to marry anyone, father. Not now. Not for years."

"Well, if it isn't to be Steve I hope it will be someone as worthy. Steve's made of the right stuff. He's a fine young man, Gale."

"I know that. Steve's all you say he is—and more." She did not go on, but stared silently at the floor.

Her father covered her hand with his, pressed it. "Well, we won't talk about it any more to-night," he said. "It's late anyhow. Time to be in bed."

Gale rinsed the cups and wiped them, set the bread and butter away. "He thinks I should marry Steve," she told herself. "He wants me to marry him."

She was sober-faced as she put out the kitchen light and went to her bedroom, sober-faced as she stood before her mirror, brushing her hair. This mood continued throughout the following morning. It was Sunday and the Hendersons ate dinner at 1 o'clock. By 20 minutes past two when Gale had finished putting the last dish back into the cupboard, had wiped her hands and hung away her apron there was a knock on the front door.

Gale hurried to open it. A young man wearing a brown windbreaker jacket and corduroy trousers stood before her. His cap was pulled down over his eyes.

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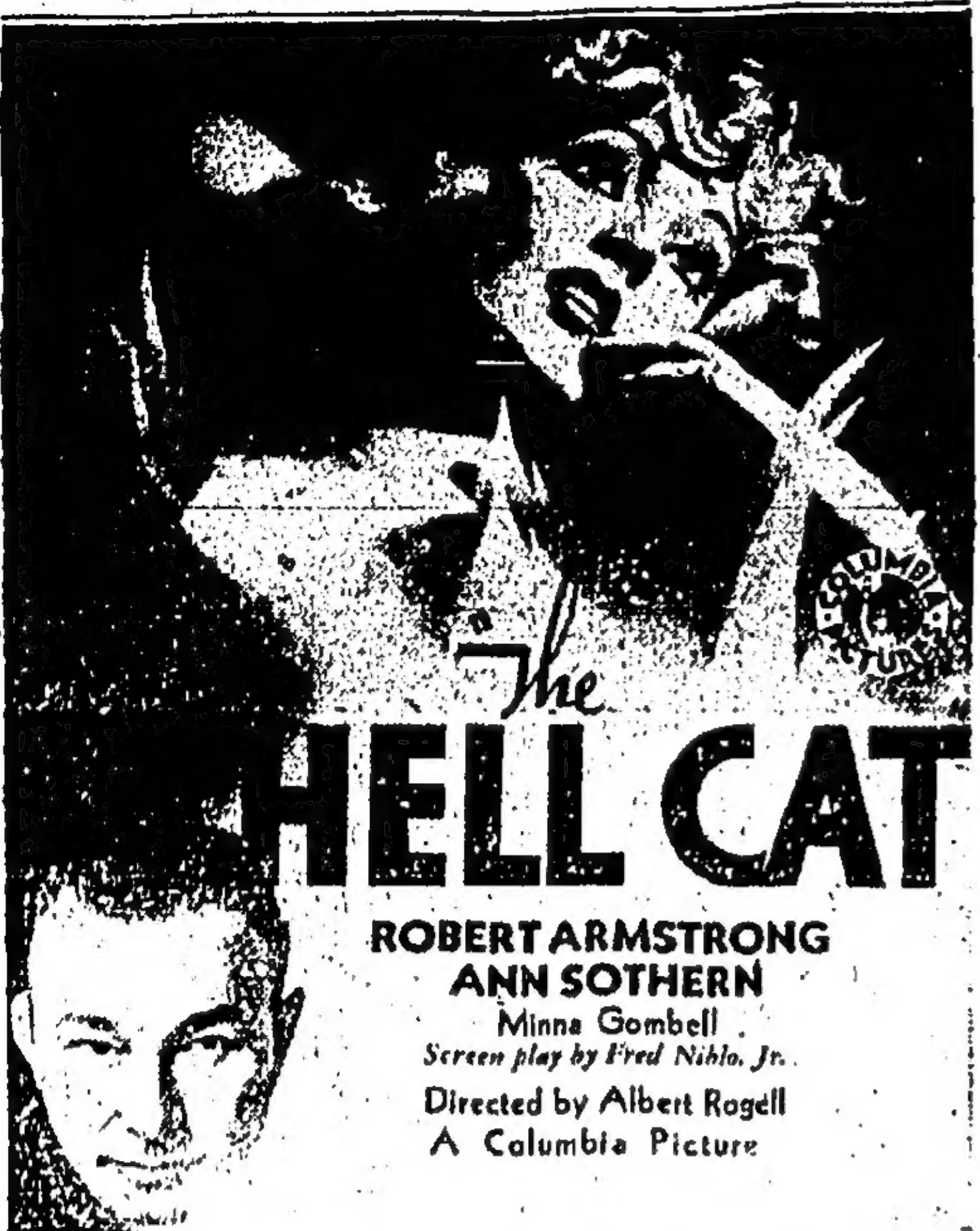
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With over 300 passengers
aboard, the luxurious Hamburg-
Amerika liner arrived in Hongkong
this morning on her 14th annual
round-the-world tour, and berthed
at the Kowloon wharves. Of the
tourists, 104 are Americans and 97
Germans, the remainder com-
prising French, British, Italian,
Swiss, Spanish, Argentinian,
Rumanian, Uruguayan, Portuguese,
Czecho-Slovakian and Hungarian
citizens.

Members of the European
nobility on board include the
following: Duke Ludwig, of
Bavaria, accompanied by the
Duchess; Prince Adolf von
Schaumburg-Lippe, of Buecke-
burg, and the Princess; Baron
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hull has been removed and the is
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has several times distinguished
himself in unforeseen circum-
stances on the high seas. It will
be recalled that while in command
of the transatlantic liner New
York in December last year he
directed the rescue of the 16 men
aboard the disabled Norwegian
freighter Sisto in a gale.

Simon Reports On Parley

DIFFERENCES OF OPINION

AUDIENCE WITH KING

London, March 28.
Responding in the House of
Commons to a request from the
leader of the Opposition, Mr.
George Lansbury, for a statement
on his Berlin visit, Sir John Simon,
said:

"The House is aware that the
visit to Berlin is one of a series
of visits of exploration and
enquiry now being paid on behalf
of His Majesty's Government to
various foreign capitals and that
when these visits are concluded
they will be followed by a meeting
at Stresa, North Italy, where I
hope to meet Signor Mussolini
and Monsieur Laval.

"In these circumstances it will
be obviously undesirable to make
a full statement as to the position
still under investigation. Un-
authorized speculations, such as
have appeared in some quarters,
should be disregarded. I may say,
however, that in the course of the
two days' conversation with Herr
Luther the European problem in
relation to Germany was reviewed
and all topics mentioned in the
London communiqué of February
3 were brought under discussion.

OPINIONS DIFFER

"Considerable divergence of
opinion between the two Govern-
ments was revealed by the con-
versations, but the result of the
meeting was undoubtedly valuable,
in that both sides were able clearly
to understand their respective
points of view—a process indis-
pensable to any further progress."

Asked if any of the conversa-
tions that had taken place, or
would take place within the next
ten or eleven days, would alter the

HOME-COMING OF PRINCE

DUKE OF GLOUCESTER HEARTILY CHEERED

London, Mar. 28.
H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester
received a hearty welcome home to-
day on returning from his long Em-
pire tour.

H.M.A.S. Australia was escorted
to Portsmouth by destroyers and
flying boats, and all ships in har-
bour were dressed overall, while the
Royal Salute was fired as the Aus-
tralia proceeded through Spithead.
The Duke's two brothers, the
Prince of Wales and the Duke of
York, went aboard and were the
first of many to greet him.

After a civic ceremony, the three
brothers left in a Royal train and
when it arrived at Victoria the
King and Queen and many other
members of the Royal Family, the
Australian Premier, Mr. Lyons, and
many Ministers were awaiting the
Duke.

After greetings had been ex-
changed, Their Majesties returned
by direct route to Buckingham
Palace, while the Duke, accom-
panied by a captain's escort of the
Life Guards, drove to the Palace by
way of Victoria Street and the
Horse Guards Parade at the Mall,
in order that the waiting crowds
could give him a welcome. He was
cordially cheered all the way.—
British Wireless.

position of the Stresa Conference,
or had a conference been definitely
arranged between the three former
allied powers, Sir John Simon
replied that the Stresa meeting was
for the three powers mentioned
and he did not think it was
possible for him, or anybody, to
speculate as to what would be the
possible events after that.

Sir John Simon was received in
an audience by the King at Buck-
ingham Palace to-day. He spent
three quarters of an hour in the
private apartments of His Majesty
talking with His Majesty. It is
understood he discussed with the
King the conversations he had in
Berlin.—British Wireless.

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